

Saint Benedict Center

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CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

December 10, 1951.

In re Gordon Hall, alias G. D. Hill, 90-08 189th St., Hollis 7,
L. I., N. Y.

Gordon Hall, ex-Director, Frances Sweeney Committee.

Born, 1921. Inducted 1942. Went to Aleutians, ran a
gymnasium there. Devoured the works of Richard Wright, William
Faulkner, Thomas Wolfe.

In Dec. 1946, he heard of Friends of Democracy, and met the Rev.
Leon M. Birkhead, Nat'l Director. Then he became an investigator
for Friends of Democracy. He travelled around joining rightest
groups "in order to expose them." Friends of Democracy was an
affiliated group of Frances Sweeney Committee.

under
[redacted], a Greek-Orthodox whose family live in Salem
and who is a student at Boston University, and a [redacted]
were responsible for recommending Hall most strongly for Frances
Sweeney Committee.

Gordon Hall amplified program of Frances Sweeney Committee as a
"fact-finding, dynamic group in social re-education." He takes
his facts to such men as Prof. Gordon W. Allport of the Harvard
Psychological Laboratory; to Max Lerner at Brandeis.

Left Frances Sweeney Committee, and founded paper COUNTERTIDE.

Gordon Hall wrote Mrs. [redacted] of [redacted]
six or seven letters, as G. D. Hill, at the above address. He

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gave Mrs. []'s correspondence to a Harvard Jewish member of the HARVARD CRIMSON, who came to St. Benedict Center, told Father Feeney he wanted to join the Center, become a Catholic, take instructions. He even knelt on leaving to ask for Father's blessing. The article in the CRIMSON, following all this, is 3/4's untrue as to facts, is very libellous, but it revealed identify of G. D. Hill. We submit it for what it may be worth to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, together with the name of [], who came a year ago to the Center, asked Father Feeney for instructions to enter the Catholic Church, told fantastic lies about himself, but revealed very strange knowledges of strange people who appeared to be Communists.

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Mrs

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Cambridge

Received this in person on 1/10/51

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, BOSTON

FROM : SA JOHN L. FAHERTY

SUBJECT: GORDON HALL, was.
G. D. HILL
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Mr. [REDACTED], Cambridge, and
Mrs. [REDACTED], also of
Cambridge, personally called at the Boston office on
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They wished to furnish some information concerning
the captioned individual, which information is
incorporated in a letter which they made available
to this office on 12/10/51.

They related they had furnished information relative
to subversive activities of various front groups to
this office in the past. They were thanked for
their interest, and informed that appropriate action
would be taken.

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SA CLEMENT A. O'BRIEN

"COUNTERTIDE"
106 Gainsborough Street
Boston, Massachusetts
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Confidential Informant [redacted] furnished a copy of a publication entitled "COUNTERTIDE", Volume 1, No. 1, January 19, 1951, which is published by CHARLES R. ALLEN, JR., and GORDON D. HALL, with offices at 106 Gainsborough Street, Boston, Massachusetts. b7D

The informant stated that GORDON HALL formerly worked as an investigator for the Frances Sweeney Committee in Boston.

If no main file exists it is suggested that the names of the above be indexed and a "dead" file opened.

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Meet A Resident of Town Who Has Answers To Many "Isms"

Recently, the following article was brought to our attention and since we well know the New England proclivity of "knowing thy neighbor," we asked for, and received, permission to reprint it in full.

Gordon D. Hall is a neighbor. He lives at 74 Rayburn road—and has since early in this year. He has led a fascinating life and is certainly engaged in an unusual occupation. But that is covered in the article, which appeared in "The Boston City Reporter," a publication of The Frances Sweeney Committee.

The piece was written by Miss Isabel Currier, formerly a newspaper woman and now a freelance writer. She has written stories and articles for such magazines as Coronet, Cosmopolitan and American Mercury and has written at least one novel, "The Young and the Immortal."—THE EDITOR.

By MISS ISABEL CURRIER

Vice-Chairman

The Frances Sweeney Committee

"Who is Gordon Hall?" is a frequent inquiry these days in Boston circles which are dedicated to making democracy a genuine way of life.

The bare answer is an easy one: Gordon Hall is the new executive director of The Frances Sweeney Committee. He's the tall, fair-haired, boyish-looking dynamo who gives an informal lecture to a Harvard group today, another at Brandeis University this evening, others at Boston University, Radcliffe, or Northeastern in the course of the week. His lectures are illustrated, not by lantern slides, but by tape-recordings of Gerald L. K. Smith's own speeches before his followers.

Gordon Hall obtained these recordings of the Smith racist line while working undercover in Smith's Christian Nationalist Crusade. Smith gave Gordon Hall a



GORDON HALL

private office and paid him a fair salary—every penny of which was contributed to various groups engaged in fighting Smith's principles.

Gordon Hall is not — strictly speaking—an undercover man, but his hatless, curly head has been seen at meetings of anti-Semites, anti-Negro or anti-Catholic groups—and in the haunts thereof—in many corners of America. Under his own name of Gordon Hall, he has been a "member" of the Christian Front, the National Patriotic Henry Organization of Columbus, Georgia, and the Ku Klux Klan.

Gordon Hall's creative and timely approach to the problems of group hatred in America is as simple as it is sincere. He introduces himself, in person or by letter, as one who is interested in the views expressed by leading racists. He is interested—profoundly and overwhelmingly so. His earnest blue eyes and engaging smile bespeak his interest. They also win friends and influence people.

Thereafter, he just hangs around with the boys to learn what it's all about, doing routine work. By this effectively genuine and genuinely effective method, he got around for three years among America's key hate-mongers without ever once writing or uttering a line in sympathy with their principles. Gordon Hall's integrity is evident to racists as to the defense groups whom he really represents. He wants, gently, to know America and its people; why the people of a free society should succumb to totalitarian ideas; how the people of a free society may be diverted

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to democratic ideas.

There is no room for hatred and vindictiveness in his forthright efforts to learn the answers by first-hand knowledge of totalitarian propagandists. He sees the whole problem as one of social scientists. He is making a life career of finding facts for social scientists to ponder so as to find the threads of the human net of hatred in which our entire society may be caught and destroyed.

The story of Gordon Hall's searchings and findings through the depths of American racism thus far is so classical as to merit some such title as "The Education of Gordon Hall." The career of Gordon Hall in becoming a constructive worker for better human relations in our society might seem to be a direct steal—or adaptation—from Henry Adams.

As a factual narrative, it is a shining example of how Americans, sprung from an environment of prejudice and social *laissez-faire*, may discover democracy for themselves and make it both the purpose and the means of life.

Gordon Hall sprang from the vast group of Americans who might be called the respectably underprivileged, those who, in the struggle for a decent standard of living, are presumed to nourish prejudices against entire groups as a projection of their own frustrations.

"I grew up among anti-Semites," Gordon says bluntly. "There were strong anti-Semitic feelings in my native, all-white, Christian community on Long Island. There were strong anti-Semitic feelings in my own family. I didn't have a glimmer of social consciousness until I got overseas with the Army."

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1939 to get his working papers and take a job as office boy in Grumman Aircraft Engineering company. When the company expanded into defense work Gordon, already on his way up, became a paymaster in one of the new plants, responsible for the weekly wages of 10,000 employees. That promising start in life was interrupted when he was inducted into the United

States Army in November of 1942.

Both Gordon's basic training and overseas training were taken in Atlantic City. But between the two sessions he was sent, under the Army Training Program, to the Air Force Administrative School at Fort Logan, Colorado from which he was graduated with honors. He was sent overseas (via Seattle) to the thick of the Aleutian Campaign in the early spring of 1943.

Once in the Aleutians, his administrative duties in the Air Force

were switched to those of Physical Training Instructor at the Advanced Army Base. He was charged with the operation of the Air Base gymnasium and the organization of basketball tournaments. Gordon himself played on the championship basketball club in the tournaments. Gordon would still rather play basketball than to do almost anything else that could be dreamed up.

He already had noticed, more in bewilderment than in anger or agreement, that the Negro troops in the Aleutians were the last to receive the breaks, if any; the first to be assigned to the dirty work on the island. He had an uneasy feeling that pep talks about the "Four Freedoms" were smoke-screens for some mighty blatant hypocrisy

Then he had to buck, head on, a powerful attempt to enforce a Jim Crow policy at the island gymnasium. The idea seemed to be that colored troops got plenty of exercise while unloading ships and digging gun bases; they didn't need physical training and it was an outrage to think of playing basketball with or against Negroes.

Gordon Hall disagreed, and violently, with Jim Crow. In his suddenly awakened social consciousness he found himself gravitating toward the "liberals" on the Island, sharing bull sessions with a group engaged in newspaper and radio work, and becoming articulate himself through the writing of a number of sports columns for the island newspaper.

But the bull sessions themselves made him uneasy. Too many of the Island's self-styled "liberals" were all steamed up in favor of the Soviet brand of "democracy." Gordon decided to skip the bull sessions in an effort to clarify his own ideas by the first intensive course of reading in his life.

He discovered—and devoured—Richard Wright, William Faulkner, and Thomas Wolfe. The more he read, the more he drifted away from the "liberal" thinking that could embrace totalitarianism in any form. And the more he read, the more firmly he resolved that he would "try to make a decent contribution to society in the post-war world, in spite of the lack of formal education that I knew to be a drawback."

Under the point system, Gordon was returned home and separated from the service in November of 1945. "I still knew nothing about the 'why' of the war—except my strong conviction that it must not happen again."

Behind him, as a part of his 36 months of overseas war record, was a first step toward his work

in life, which he did not recognize at the time. While still in the Aleutians, Gordon preferred chafes against a captain on the grounds of anti-Semitism.

Again a civilian, and spurred by his groping sense of social responsibility, Gordon tried to get jobs in orphanages. He thought that, if he could work with children, possibly as an athletic instructor, he might find the means of making his "decent contribution." But the best salary offered in such a job was \$25 a week, and Gordon Hall was a married man by that time.

In January of 1946, he was married to his steady date since 1939—a strikingly pretty girl from his own home town who, incidentally, looks enough like Gordon to be his

GORDON HALL (From Page 1)

Born in 1921, Gordon Hall was the ninth child in his family and, therefore, ninth in line for the privileges of free education. But he was able to attend school only until the age of 16.

Having been graduated from public school in 1936, he was obliged to quit high school early in

sister. He needed a bigger income than \$25 a week as a family man. So he drifted back to Grumman Aircraft with the idea that something might open up at a later date.

Something did open up. It came about when Gordon himself opened up a small newspaper, called THINK, which was handed to him by an aircraft engineer. The newspaper, which bore a Newark post-office address, was full of powerful—and powerfully confused—anti-Semitic propaganda.

The Ku Klux Klan, Gordon learned from THINK, was "a communist straw man designed to divert attention from the real menace to America." Gordon sat right down and wrote his first letter to an editor, stating simply that the newspaper "was interesting." Back came a shower of newspapers and an invitation to visit the editor.

"When I called on Conde McGinley over in New Jersey," Gordon relates, "I expected to find a skilled propagandist more interested in the Nazi point of view than in anything else. Instead, I was startled to meet a trembling, frightened little man, capable of evoking much sympathy as a broken, haunted being. I wanted to reason with McGinley, for his own sake as well as to forestall his doing further damage. But, while he ranted and trembled about 'The Jewish Menace' I saw that the poor little man was beyond conversion to the democratic point of view.

"So, I sat for six hours watching him wrestle with an endless stream of unknown demons, reading letters of appreciation he showed me, and hearing about contributions to his work. When I left I had decided that I'd look more deeply into situations of this kind. I collected material from McGinley and others on my own for awhile.

"Then I heard about Reverend Leon M. Birkhead, national director

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of the Friends of Democracy. Late in December of 1946 I called to see him at his office in New York and, on the spot, was offered and accepted a modest salary as a full-time investigator for FOD."

Before leaving Grumman Aircraft, Gordon engineered one of the few direct deceptions he ever practiced as an "under-cover man." He induced the personnel manager at Grumman to place a "perfect cover" on his permanent record card: "Discharged because of anti-minority agitation."

"My early feelings of being a cloak-and-dagger man in espionage soon disappeared," Gordon recalls. "I travelled all over America for The Friends of Democracy, joining this group and that on the extreme right. Again and again, I found myself deeply moved by the plight of those engaged in the business of manufacturing hate.

"I couldn't help taking a personal interest in the lives of those whom I was investigating. I became a part of the personal lives of many who received me with surprising cordiality. Over and over again I found support for my inescapable conviction that there are two sets of victims in planned hatred. These people set out to destroy others and succeed, ultimately, in throwing themselves upon the scrap heap.

"It isn't easy to sit by and watch the destruction of individual lives by the boomerang of hatred they're throwing out to destroy others. The shattered lives in the racist anti-democratic right wing are worth a volume in themselves. And I don't say this to whitewash their social crimes which, in human terms, are immeasurable. I just think that nothing is accomplished by fighting fire with fire—except to make the defenders of democracy as guilty of hatred as the offenders. And after three years of espionage, I had had more than enough.

"Espionage is capable of warping the untrained person. Some of the agents I encountered in the field were as bad, and sometimes worse than agitators themselves. After leaving Smith, I was practically unable to continue. I didn't like my double life. I didn't like being separated from my wife and child. I didn't like the cliches and countername-calling that most of us, on the defensive side, were practicing. Nothing is gained by calling people "fascists" commun-

ists" and talking about "threats" and "menaces." This is alarmist language and it becomes hysterical. Then objectivity flies out of the window. Besides, most of the labels are wrong.

"For instance," Gordon continues, "each racist group and each racist individual has a number of sides. Gerald L. K. Smith is a racist who is spurred by power impulses of his own. He's a ruthless man and an opportunist—a racketeer, in a sense. He wants power as a demagogue wants power, but he is also a shrewd business man, who rakes in the cash and makes his business pay, because he likes to live well.

McGinley, on the other hand, is not ruthless at all. He is a dedicated and genuine in his own cause as the most liberal is. He will sacrifice everything to promote his cause of anti-Semitism—will go without meals and lodgings, without rest, and without the decencies of life. It can't be said of McGinley that he is a racketeer; he's a fanatical enemy of democracy. And his zeal and selflessness are imparted to his followers, who adore and respect him."

It is the great good fortune of The Frances Sweeney Committee that Gordon Hall, back in the New York office of our affiliated group, the Friends of Democracy, was interested in Boston and available when we were scouring the field for a new executive director.

Members of The Frances Sweeney Committee were also asking, "Who is Gordon Hall?" six months ago. Only two of our most active members had met him in the New York office and both, in terms of the utmost enthusiasm, recommended him as the most dynamic, creative, thorough, and constructive executive director we could find.

Bill Foustoukos, who valiantly had been running The Frances Sweeney Committee and his own student career at Boston University at tremendous self-sacrifice, summed up a two-hour recommendation of Gordon Hall by himself and Mary Fitzgerald by flatly asserting that Gordon Hall was THE man for The Frances Sweeney Committee—the one and only.

"How long have you known Gordon Hall?" asked one of the sound business men who keep the more impulsive members of The Frances Sweeney Committee rooted to earth.

"I've only seen him twice," Billy said, "but that's enough for me to have learned more about racism and how to cure it from Gordon, than I'd been able to find out by myself, with Army Intelligence, and in the committee for seven years."

"I'll certainly see him when I go to New York," the business man stated, "But—since you're a single man—I'd like to advise you not to choose a wife as the one and only on the strength of two brief meetings."

Billy grinned. "After you've met Gordon Hall yourself, call me up," he suggested.

...business man did so. "You are absolutely right," he told Billy magnanimously. "I had lunch with Gordon Hall and I'd have spent the entire week listening to him if I could have arranged it. He's certainly THE man for The Frances Sweeney Committee if we can get him."

Gordon Hall is specially appealing to The Frances Sweeney Committee because he combines, in one personality, some of the outstanding qualities which all three of our beloved former executive directors brought to the work for intergroup good will in Boston.

Like the late Frances Sweeney, Gordon Hall has a compelling fire in winning other people to the cause of living democracy, along with the capacity, which distinguished Frances, for forming quick and lasting friendships with both the most noteworthy and the most humble of fellow workers.

Like the late Gus Gazulis, Gordon Hall has a sense of painstaking scholarship in assembling facts, facts, facts, plus the instinctive strategist's knowledge of what to do with his facts once they're assembled. Also like Gus, Gordon does not believe in using hatred to fight hatred; he is full of objective compassion for those who victimize themselves as well as others.

Like Mary Fitzgerald, whom The Frances Sweeney Committee proudly relinquished to her new, important position as field worker for the Massachusetts FEPC commission, Gordon Hall is a tireless organizer; a sound, tactful, discreet, hard working, and cooperative associate with other organizations in the same purposeful field.

Already, Gordon has amplified the program of The Frances Sweeney Committee as fact-finding dynamic group in social re-education. He takes his facts to such men as Professor Gordon W. Allport of the Harvard Psychological Laboratory; to Professor John J. Mahoney of the Civic Education Project; to Dorothy Speare of Boston University; to Max Lerner at Brandeis. And, in turn, these educators find students who, as part of their field work for degrees, help Gordon Hall and The Frances Sweeney Committee in gathering more facts and more studies of hatred and its lesser diseases—prejudice, discrimination, restrictive covenants.

"We're building pipelines into the universities and the colleges," Gordon says, "because the men of science are not only the ones to unravel the threads of this human net of hatred; they're also the ones to re-weave them into a pat-

tern of true democracy. And the students who hear at first hand what anti-democratic propaganda sounds like, are not going to grow into citizens who will fall for it."

"The Education of Gordon Hall," it seems to me, proves that, with or without formal advantages, the most vital and lofty purposes of higher education—to train men and women in living to the utmost of their capacities for the good of society at large—is a goal that may be attained by all who have the inner light to know what education is, to find it for themselves, and to apply it to constructive living.

Boston, Mass.

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MEMO FOR SUPERVISOR LAWRENCE

RE: "COUNTER-TIDE"
GORDON HALL
CHARLES RUSSELL ALLEN, JR.

Chief Tonra, Brookline, telephonically advised he received information concerning a new publication entitled "COUNTER-TIDE" which is reportedly handled by two men - GORDON HALL and CHARLES RUSSELL ALLEN, JR.

Chief Tonra stated he would take no action as he did not want to do anything which might interfere in any way and wanted to talk to an Agent who has some background on subversive activities.

It is suggested a telephone call be made to Chief Tonra before you go out there as he is in and out of the office.

J.E. THORNTON, SAC

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Handle promptly with
Chief Tonra.

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SA PHILIP M. BREED

"COUNTERTIDE"

GORDON DANIEL HALL;
CHARLES RUSSELL ALLEN, JR.

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Reference is made to your memorandum of February 26, 1951, concerning your telephone conversation with Chief of Police TONRA, Brookline, Massachusetts, concerning the above-named individuals.

Agent interviewed Chief TONRA who said he had received a call from Mrs. HERBERT N. DAWES, 415 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts.

Mrs. DAWES gave him some information concerning the captioned publication and individuals. Chief TONRA did not give Agent the substance of the conversation, but suggested that Agent call on Mrs. DAWES and get the whole story from her. He described her as being a reliable and intelligent individual.

Agent interviewed Mrs. HERBERT N. DAWES, 415 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts. She said that in the fall of 1950, shortly after the death of her husband, she received a call from CHARLES R. ALLEN, JR. and GORDON HALL. The purpose of this call was to inspect a room in Mrs. DAWES' home which she was considering renting. On the occasion of the call HALL was introduced by ALLEN as GORDON WALKER. She did not know the reason for his assuming this name. They acted in what Mrs. DAWES considered to be a suspicious manner while in her apartment. The alleged suspicious manner consisted in asking questions about Mrs. DAWES' personal affairs; inspecting the books in her bookcase; looking into her closets, and making comments about the views out of the windows, etc.

Mrs. DAWES said that the reason HALL and ALLEN knew her was that they had been in correspondence with a friend of Mrs. DAWES, LUCILLE CARDIN CRAIN, who is the editor and secretary of the "Educational Reviewer" a publication of the Conference of American Small Business Organizations. They had had some correspondence with Mrs. CRAIN, who is apparently friendly with them in connection with this publication. They took no action towards engaging her room. During the conversation with the two men they antagonized her

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by their questions and actions so that when they had gone she felt sure they had come there for some ulterior purpose. They had said during the course of their conversation that they were connected with the Frances Sweeney Committee, Boston, Massachusetts, which is affiliated with the Friends of Democracy, Incorporated. The more she thought about them the more she did not like the idea of their call and, accordingly, she called the Committee and asked for information concerning their whereabouts. There was some hesitation on the part of the person answering the telephone. She was informed that they were no longer connected with the Frances Sweeney Committee, but that ALLEN lived at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Boston, Massachusetts. She then wrote a letter to ALLEN and expressed her resentment towards the allegedly peculiar things that they did and said during their visit, and wanted to know what his "game" was. In the letter she spoke of HALL, who had been introduced to her as GORDON WALKER, and assumed that he was identical with the GORDON WALKER Chinese correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor.

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ALLEN replied to this letter expressing resentment at her attitude, stating that GORDON HALL was GORDON WALKER and not the individual who was connected with the Christian Science Monitor, and further indicated that he expected an apology from her for her unreasonable attitude.

It should be stated that during the course of the interview Agent received the impression that Mrs. DAWES is somewhat unstable mentally, although she acts and talks as an educated, refined woman.

Mrs. DAWES has recently received a letter from Mrs. LUCILLE CRAIN described above, in which she stated that ALLEN and HALL had started the publication "Countertide" and that in the issue to which she had reference, they had published an article severely criticizing FULTON LEWIS, JR., the commentator for the Mutual Broadcasting System, The Conference of American Small Business Organizations, and particularly the "Educational Reviewer" publication of the latter organization, the editor and secretary of which is Mrs. CRAIN. LEWIS and Mrs. CRAIN were denounced as Anti-Semitic. Mrs. CRAIN desired that Mrs. DAWES obtain a copy of "Countertide" for her and it was in connection with this request that Mrs. DAWES had paid her visit to Chief TONRA.

She requested a copy of "Countertide". It was Mrs. DAWES' idea that subversive influences frequently operated in the guise of organizations opposing anti-semitism and that such organizations have a very strong influence in that they are extremely effective in organizing boycotts among the Jewish people against any persons against whom the charge of anti-semitism is raised, regardless of the truth or falsity of the charge.

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She believed it possible, although she had no facts other than her own suspicions to offer, that ALLEN and HALL were Communists acting in the guise of opposing anti-semitism.

ALLEN and HALL were formerly connected with the Frances Sweeney Committee, affiliated with the Friends of Democracy. The Frances Sweeney Committee was originally founded by one Miss FRANCES SWEENEY who could be described as an idealist and set up her organization to combat what she considered reactionary tendencies in this country, particularly such things as anti-semitism, denial of rights to negroes, police brutality and racial and religious discrimination of all types. It is believed that the committee never was in any way Communistic, although on occasion it has been active in the support of movements which the Communist Party also supported. As a possible example of their attitude towards Communism, the Boston Herald of the date of April 13, 1950 published a news article stated that Communist front organizations were seeking to discredit the Boston Police Department by accusing it of brutality towards negroes and that the Communists were operating through an organization called "The Coordinating Council to Protest Police Brutality." which organization, according to the Frances Sweeney Committee, was made up of representatives of the Communist Party, the Labor Youth League and the Young Progressives. The Frances Sweeney Committee has on occasion been cooperative with the Boston Office in furnishing material concerning post-war pro-German anti-semitic propaganda. The file on this committee contains a number of references to HALL and ALLEN, but it nowhere appears that they had any connection with the Communist Party.

Confidential Informant T-1 (ND BOS TS 200) stated that on August 8, 1950, CHARLES ALLEN conferred with ED IZZO of Communist Party Headquarters, 2 Park Square Building, Boston, and asked to talk with someone familiar with an article related to Fascism which had appeared in the edition of "The Worker" of July 30, 1950. IZZO asked him to call again about 4:00 P. M. that day. Also on August 31, 1950, according to the same informant, CHARLES ALLEN again conferred with ED IZZO identified himself as a representative of the Frances Sweeney Committee and desired to obtain information concerning the "Friends of Poland" organization. IZZO was unable to give him any information concerning the organization. These are the only known contacts between ALLEN or HALL and the Communist Party.

Serials 67,69,70 of file on the Frances Sweeney Committee, Boston File 100-4006, contained considerable information concerning the background of HALL and ALLEN. The main facts concern the past of HALL and ALLEN together with an article in the Stoughton News-Sentinel, Stoughton, Massachusetts, July 20, 1950, a copy of which has been made a serial in this file.

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In volume one of "Countertide", which is contained in the exhibit envelope of this file, and in a photostat copy of an article that appeared in the New York Post, November 27, 1950, which was given to Agent by Mrs. DAWES and which is contained in the exhibit envelope in this file.

These serials described ALLEN and HALL as young men with a very idealist nature. HALL served in the United States Army Air Force during World War II and his service included thirty-one months service in the Pacific. Since then he was employed by the Friends of Democracy in New York City and acted in the capacity of under-cover agent of that organization, gathering information concerning various subversive groups operating in this country, particularly the group headed by GERALD L. K. SMITH, The Christian Front, the National Patrick Henry Organization of Columbus, Georgia and the Ku Klux Klan. ALLEN received degrees at [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted], served [redacted]; in 1947 was the author of the U.S. Report of the American Journey to Russian Occupied Korea, and served with the Friends of Democracy before coming to the Frances Sweeney Committee as associate director.

Mrs. DAWES gave some additional information concerning ALLEN that she had received from Mrs. CRAIN. Mrs. CRAIN said that ALLEN [redacted]

[redacted]

Mrs. DAWES described HALL as follows:

Name:	GORDON DANIEL HALL
Height:	6'
Weight:	170 pounds
Build:	Slight
Eyes:	Unknown
Hair:	Brownish
Complexion:	Fair
Eye glasses:	None
Marks and Scars:	None

Mrs. DAWES described ALLEN as follows:

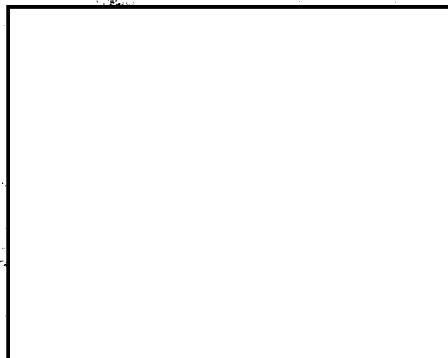
Name:	CHARLES RUSSELL ALLEN JR.
Height:	[redacted]
Weight:	[redacted]

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Build:
Eyes:
Hair:
Complexion:
Eye glasses:
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Marital status:

It is not recommended that further investigation be conducted of these individuals.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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"COUNTERTIDE" MAGAZINE
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Mrs. E. WEBSTER WANNER, Kenilworth Apartments, Wissahickon Avenue and School Lane, Philadelphia, Pa., telephoned the Philadelphia Office on March 12, 1951, relative to instant publication.

Mrs. WANNER related she had heard that a friend of hers, Mrs. LUCILLE CARDIN CRAIN, Editor of the Educational Review in New York City, had been smeared in this publication, and she, therefore, had written to the publishers requesting a copy of their January edition, which she indicated was the first edition of this publication.

The January copy was sent to her, and she also had received a letter indicating that her name was being placed on the subscription list for instant magazine.

According to Mrs. WANNER, "COUNTERTIDE" lists on its masthead that it is a "monthly report to the people." She described the magazine as a "subversive red smear sheet." She said articles in this publication smeared FULTON LEWIS, Senator MC CARTHY, and various other prominent individuals.

The editors of this magazine are GORDON D. HALL and CHARLES R. ALLEN, JR. The office is located at 106 Gainesborough Street, Boston, Mass.

She said she is positive that this magazine is "backed" by the "Friends for Democracy" inasmuch as she knows that HALL and ALLEN do not have the funds to publish this periodical. According to Mrs. WANNER, both HALL and ALLEN were exposed as rabble rousers in an article appearing in the New York Post some time last fall.

Mrs. WANNER stated she was acquainted with ALLEN's family and that she telephoned to his mother but could get no information from her concerning ALLEN's activities. His mother did tell Mrs. WANNER that he was going to live at home for a while. Mrs. WANNER did not know where the ALLEN family resided but furnished their telephone number as Flanders 2-1138. It was determined that this phone number is listed to Dr. CHARLES ALLEN, JR., 150 Ashby Road, Upper Darby, Pa.

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Letter to DIRECTOR, FBI

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Mrs. WANNER further advised she intended to take steps to have her name removed from the subscription list of instant magazine inasmuch as she did not desire to be associated in any way with anything of a subversive nature.

W. HENRY MAC FARLAND, JR., Director of the Nationalist Action League, an organization listed by the Attorney General as subversive, advised an informant of this office that GORDON HALL was an active Nationalist from New York City in attendance at both the Republican and Democratic Party Conventions held in Philadelphia during the summer of 1948.

In August 1949 an informant advised that MAC FARLAND and other members of the NAL believed CHARLES ALLEN, JR., was a spy within their organization.

The above is being submitted to the Bureau for information purposes, with copies designated for the New York and Boston offices. ||

SAC, BOSTON

May 8, 1951

SA THOMAS F. McLAUGHLIN, JR.

"COUNTERTIDE" MAGAZINE
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On April 24, 1951, Sergeant [] and Detective [] Cambridge, Massachusetts, Police Department visited the Boston Office in connection with the above-named magazine.

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Sergeant [] stated Chief JOHN R. KING had instructed him to identify the magazine and in particular to provide information relating to GORDON HALL.

Sergeant [] made available an order to him from Chief KING which stated the identification was desired by City Manager JOHN ATKINSON of Cambridge, Massachusetts, in connection with a contemplated appearance by GORDON HALL at the Cambridge, Massachusetts, Public Library.

Sergeant []'s information disclosed that GORDON HALL was associated with the magazine "Countertide," and he desired to have some assistance in connection with his inquiry.

The status of Bureau files in this connection was called to his attention.

The suggestion was presented to Sergeant [] that inasmuch as GORDON HALL was previously associated with the Frances Sweeney Committee, contact with [] of that city might be helpful in providing information. [] is presently employed by [], a State agency.

Sergeant [] telephonically communicated on April 25, 1951, that he had seen [] and the suggestion had been most productive. He stated he would provide this office with a copy of his investigative report with respect to the matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-26287)

FROM : REED W. JENSEN, SA

SUBJECT: "COUNTERTIDE" MAGAZINE
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

DATE: July 25, 1952

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On July 11, 1952, a [redacted], a supervisor in the employ of the Spaulding-Moss Company, 42 Franklin Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, telephonically contacted this office stating that on that date, a GORDON HALL of 106 Gainsborough Street, Boston, Massachusetts, had requested his company to photostat certain papers.

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Mr. [redacted] stated that after he and a [redacted] of that Office had reviewed the material to be photostated, it was their opinion that this Bureau might be interested in its contents.

On July 11, 1952, Mr. [redacted] made available to the writer, copies of the photostats he had made of HALL'S material. This material consisted of the following:

1. Article from an unknown publication entitled, "Mrs. MC CULLOUGH Resigns in Minute Women Discord." (believed to be referring to Minute Women of U.S.A.)
2. Article from a publication entitled "Sunday Herald," dated April 29, 1951, entitled, "Minute Womens' Rally Lays an Egg."
3. Article from unknown publication entitled, "Suzanne Rules Alone in Minute Women."
4. Letter to the editor of the publication, "Connecticut Campus," which paper, according to that publication, is published three times weekly by students of the University of Connecticut Storrs. The date of this publication was February 8, 1952, and the signer of this letter to the editor was GORDON HALL, Editor, "Countertide."

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5. An article from a publication called the "Sunday Herald," dated December 11, 1949, entitled "Nutmeg Minute Women Band to Save State, Nation."
6. Editorial by GERALD L. K. SMITH contained in the November, 1951, Number 8, Volume 10 issue of the "Cross and the Flag," which editorial was entitled, "VIVIAN KELLENS Never Quits." (according to Mr. [REDACTED], this article was not photostated because of copyright laws.)

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It is not known by the writer nor was it known by Mr. [REDACTED], why HALL wanted the above-mentioned material photostated. The photostatic copies numbering one through five above, as furnished by Mr. [REDACTED], are being placed in the 1-A envelope of Master File 100-26287.

The following description of GORDON D. HALL was obtained from Mr. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	6'
Weight:	190 lbs.
Hair:	wavey, dark brown
Complexion:	Medium
Characteristics:	Dimpled cheeks.

After a review of the Master File which is concerned with the publication, "Countertide," GORDON D. HALL and CHARLES ALLEN, JR., it is the writer's opinion

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that none of the information in the file regarding the publication "Countertide," can be deemed as following the Communist Party line nor can it be specifically indicated from a review of the file that HALL or ALLEN are sympathizers towards the Communist cause, however, it is the writer's opinion that "Countertide" and the persons associated with it, have made a marked point of attacking certain organizations that do oppose Communist Party Doctrines. The writer does not allege that these organizations under attack by "Countertide" Magazine may or may not be subject to criticism, however, the fact remains that such a stand has been made.

It is believed that in order to better evaluate the actual aims and purposes of the publication "Countertide" and to bring this case to a logical conclusion, that the Boston Office should discreetly subscribe to "Countertide" Magazine for one year.

This Office indices reflect no derogatory information identical with either [redacted] or [redacted].

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SAC, BOSTON (100-22087)

NOV. 19, 1962

SA, PHILIP M. BREED

COMMON SENSE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Security informant [redacted] on October 29, 1962, furnished to SA BREED a circular letter form "Common Sense", Union, New Jersey, which bore the typed signature CONDE MC GINLEY. It was undated.

This letter was received by the informant sometime during the summer of 1962, through the mail. The original of this letter is being retained in the Boston file "Common Sense" (100-22087).

The letter is quoted as follows:

"TO OUR FRIENDS IN THE VICINITY OF BOSTON:

"It is our duty to give you the name, address and description of a deceptive lying creature who is an agent for the enemy. If he should appear at any of your meetings or calls to meet you at any time, you will know that you are in the presence of an agent of the invisible government.

"His name is Gordon D. Hall of 106 Gainsborough Street, Boston. He is tall, slim, goodlooking, well dressed, quiet mannered, and reserved and likes the women.

"He is one of the stooges for the Anti-Defamation League and gathers information on patriotic Pro-American groups to turn over to the Marxist Jews who are trying to abolish this government. He boasts of being a snoopier and speaks for the United World Federalists and other one-world groups, -- any thing to make a fast dollar while betraying Pro-Americans. He likes to build himself up by leading people to believe he spied on our work, but the truth is that he was very disappointed when we would not let him help us in our work to satisfy his ulterior motive. We suspected him from the first time he entered our office and as a result was watched very closely.

"This warning is given as a service to Pro-Americans who do not want these snoopers at their meetings.

Sincerely,

Conde McGinley"

PMB:mpd

cc: [redacted]

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100-16162 United World Federalists

61-189 Anti-Defamation League of B'nai Brith 100-31522-10

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SAC, BOSTON ()

April 13, 1963

SA () (LIAISON)

ATTN: SUPERVISOR ()

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Confidential Informant

On April 2, 1963 () telephonically communicated with this office and reported that she received a letter from a friend of hers in Washington, D.C. requesting her to obtain coverage, if possible, of a conference scheduled to be held at Harvard University April 17, 18, and 19, 1963 to which representatives from colleges and schools throughout this area would attend. The conference was supposed to be for "stimulate thinking of a perlinment of men". It concerned the revision of the United Nations Charter in 1953.

The conference is sponsored by the National Students' Association, Students for Democratic Action, United World Federalists, and Friends of Democracy.

Informant stated that one GORDON HALL was scheduled to be a speaker on Saturday before the conference and that he was a "spy" for the Friends of Democracy Organization. Informant stated that another speaker is VERNON HASE who is affiliated with the United World Federalists. Informant stated that she is endeavoring to obtain a young person to pose as a college student to attend the conference. Informant stated that she is quite elderly and in her younger days she covered various meetings and reported to the Daughters of the American Revolution and that the latter organization funded the bill for stenographic services.

Informant also reported that she received another letter from another friend of hers indicating that another group is in existence in this area known as the Liberal Citizens of Massachusetts, and another organization known as "BASSAR". Informant explained the latter abbreviation means "Bostonians Allied for South African Revolution". Informant stated that the latter organization is led by an Episcopal minister named GEORGE H. HUGHES of New York City who is collecting funds secretly in order to get the funds into the right hands in South Africa even though the South African government outlawed such activity.

C. Sign

CC:

National Students' Association (100-18590)
Students for Democratic Action (100-19302)
United World Federalists (100-16162)
Friends of Democracy (100-1834)

GORDON HALL

LIBERAL CITIZENS OF MASS.
"BASSAR"

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GORDON HALL
LIBERAL CITIZENS OF MASS.
"BASSAR"

16 Clearway St., Boston 15, Mass.
May 26, 1956.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Boston, Mass.

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Dear Sirs:

I should like to offer the following information, in case you may have other details that fit into this pattern:--

It concerns Gordon Hall, self-styled free-lance political writer and lecturer. He resides at 102 Gainsboro St., Boston.

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Now, on May 19, 1956 I reported to your Special Agent Mr. Sullivan some details concerning Post Office employee [redacted] who had violated the Hatch Act in calling at my door, unannounced, and setting up an interrogation concerning Sen. Saltonstall and his identification with the Communist Conspiracy. At that time, Mr. [redacted] used the term "Jew" and "Communist" interchangeably, and stated that my letters in the press had stirred up the Jews and that they might become violent as a consequence. All pertinent information has been furnished your Bureau on this matter.

However, as a follow-up and in an effort to whitewash Mr. [redacted], Gordon Hall, above-mentioned, came to my garden plot in the Fenway on Tuesday afternoon (about 3:00 o'clock). He not only intimidated me but insulted me and slandered some of my friends. This was on May 22, 1956. He stated that I was treading on dangerous ground, politically, and that I had better change my course at once or I would find myself exposed to the same type of punishment that is planned for Mrs. Schofield, of North Abington, also Mrs. Stevenson, of Connecticut. He referred to the latter as "Baroness Stevenson" and slandered her in a most astonishing manner. He also dug into the marital affairs of Mrs. Schofield and stated that his friends were going to "get" Mr. Schofield. (He referred to the latter as "George").

I naturally was very much afraid, because he was quite voluble and seemed very well informed about me (even though he was until that time a perfect stranger). He stated that he had a file on me and intended to do a "study" of my personality.

He stated that he has files on everyone who writes to the press about Communism -- all who disagree with his group. He feels that people should fight Communism only in the way he does, viz., by fighting for One World Government and the United Nations. He feels that the Constitution is inadequate and should be junked.

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In an effort to defend myself I asked if he were trying to brainwash me. He shouted, "There is no such thing as brainwashing!!!!" He stated that the Anti-Communists were altogether too sensitive on the subject and were interfering with something that doesn't concern them. Finally, the strain of this verbal attack being too great for me, I said that I would consider his advice and try to change my course so that it would conform more correctly to his ideas. He then said that I could be saved; that I was too worthwhile; that I was on the wrong side; that I was a true Liberal and should be fighting along with him. And he made an indecent proposal. He suggested illicit relations as a substitute for my interest in civic affairs. For a perfect stranger, and for a man who doesn't look the part, he got into this subject at that point at such a rate of speed that I could only come to the conclusion that he is a common ordinary tramp who was acting upon advice of his superiors within the Communist set-up.

It occurred to me that perhaps the Communists peddle his "literary" stuff for him and that he probably couldn't make the grade otherwise. Inasmuch as they control a good part of the press through advertising it would naturally follow that they could shove a lot of inferior stuff into the newspapers as a reward for the faithful among the gentiles who act as stooges for them.

One more detail: He also slandered Rev. Oswald Blumit; stated that Mr. Blumit was anti-Semitic and that he has a file on him, too. He stated that Mr. Philbrick and he (Gordon Hall) are very close friends and that Mr. Philbrick frowns upon Mr. Blumit's activities and had requested him by letter, which he would show me, to report to him concerning both Mr. Blumit and Mrs. Schofield. I checked this later, on the telephone, and from information in my personal possession, I know this to be a deliberate falsehood.

Now, whatever I do, I am acting only as a simple American, exercise my privileges under our Constitution. I am not dedicated to any cause, and am really not too hopeful that we can win this fight against Communism, but I don't see how the Anti-Defamation League can carry on in this arbitrary manner, without consent of Congress, and have Special Agents going about threatening and willifying decent Americans, and defaming them. From my observation of the illegal gyrations of that League, it should be re-named "Defamation League." This Trojan Horse, this League has greater scope than the F.B.I., and more Special Agents. They not only collect information, but they are privileged to come to our doors and threaten us. They violate every rule.

Respectfully yours,


Lola Ray

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC: attention Supervisor []

DATE: 6/11/56

FROM : [] Night Clerk

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Mrs. [] Somerville called this office on this date at 2:30 A.M. to report the activities of the three subjects. Mrs. [] said that an acquaintance of hers, one Lola Ray of 16 Clearway Street, Back Bay, has named these individuals as being Communists.

The individuals listed by Mrs. [] are:

1. [] Occupation - []
Address - []
2. [] Occupation - []
3. GORDON HALL No identifying information

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indicates

Mrs. [] stated that Lola Ray has met the above people at the Community Gardens, Fenway, Medford, where each person has a plot of ground which they cultivate individually. According to Mrs. [] the Community Gardens is a meeting place for these Communists and Lola Ray has been approached and talked to here by [] on more than one occasion.

Mrs. [] said that Lola Ray is known by these people because she was the ~~cause~~ cause of some Communists to lose jobs at a VA Hospital. According to Mrs. [], Lola Ray is afraid of these people and revealed them as Communists to Mrs. [] only with the understanding that Mrs. Ray's identity would be kept secret.

Mrs. [] said that she has called this office previously and furnished information.

Mrs. [] stated that she is a strong enemy of Communism, having picketed Owen Lattimore, and Howard Fast. She said for this reason she is known by local Communists as their enemy. She said that during recent proceedings against Communists at the Federal Building in Boston she appeared wearing a McCarthy button on her dress, just to prove to them that she is not afraid of them.

Mrs. [] said that she would have handled the matter concerning these three subjects herself, only they are not in her territory; she being interested only in matters such as this arising in Somerville.

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Mrs. [] emphasized that her friend, Lola Ray is in fear of the Communists, having had experience with them in Europe as well as the U.S. and because she has been hurt by them she wishes to protect her identity.

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Mrs. [] said that the above listed individuals can be found nearly every day at the Community Gardens, Fenway, which leads her to believe the Gardens to be a Communist meeting place.

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TO : SAC

DATE: June 18, 1956

FROM : SUBJECT: GORDON HALL
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This correlation consists of a review of all references indicated on the FD-160 in accordance with instructions of Supervisor , Security Desk.

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These references appear to be identical with the above subject, if the Supervisor approves, the above serials should be removed, and placed in Subject's new N.T. file.

100-0-40754

[Signature]

This reference appears to be identical with the above subject, if the Supervisor approves, the above serial should be removed and placed in Subject's new N.T. file.

100-0-41230

This reference is an office memo dated 9/17/53 from SA to SAC, Boston, titled "FEEDHAM COMMITTEE FOR UNITED NATIONS DAY". IS-C-

On August 20, 1953, the writer received through the mail an undated report from in regard to the operations of the Feedham Committee for United Nations Day, in Feedham, Massachusetts.

Extreme caution must be utilized in connection with the use of this material and appropriate paraphrasing given the material in order to protect the identity of the informant.

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Page 5 of the undated report states " In the suggestion of sources that could be approached for obtaining a desirable speaker for the U day activities, [redacted] recommended a Mr. [redacted] connected with the World Peace Foundation in Boston and also with the Boston Committee on World Affairs. A Mrs. [redacted] of Wellesley was also suggested as a good contact for help to this end as was a Mr. [redacted] as having an inside track to the UN Secretariat. Also suggested was a GORDON B. HALL who was complemented by [redacted] for working so strenuously along the lines of enlightenment' and for his writing of two books in particular. These were identified as 'The Crusade Against the United Nations' and 'The Crusade Against the Public School System'. I am still attempting to get a copy of one of these books to determine [redacted] idea of 'enlightenment'.

100-737-12

Memo dated 2/4/55 from SAC, NEW ORLEANS, to the DIRECTOR, FBI- titled " SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE; SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. IS-C-

On August 11, 1954 [redacted]

[redacted], whose identity must be protected, furnished to Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] several thousand cards belonging to the subject organization. [redacted] advised that these cards in his opinion constituted a partial mailing list of the SCEF. He was unable to determine the significance of metal tabs on certain of the cards. Neither did he know the significance of letters appearing in the upper right hand corner of the cards. These cards were photographed and returned to [redacted].

Enclosed for those offices receiving copies of this letter, are the photographs of those cards containing the names and addresses of persons residing in their territories.

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This is the exhibit to the above file reference page 15 lists one GORDON HALL, 102 Gainsborough St., Boston 15, Massachusetts.

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Memo dated June 7, 1950, from SA
CLYDE T. A. O'BRIEN, to SAC Boston,
titled "GORDON HALL"- SECURITY MATTER-C-

Confidential Informant [] re-
ported on May 2, 1950 that the National Labor Conference for
Peace was planning to hold a national meeting in Chicago on
May 28, 1950. [] wanted to know if the Informant
could attend that conference in Chicago.

The Informant reported further that on
April 20, 1950 a meeting of the Police Brutality Committee was
held at the Community Church in Boston. The Informant ident-
ified further that on April 20, 1950 a meeting of the Police
Brutality Committee was held at the Community Church in
Boston.

Page 2 states on April 26, 1950 the
Informant received a telephone call from GORDON HALL, who is
a representative of the FRANCIS SWEENEY Committee, and he
stated that his committee was dropping out of the Committee to
end Police Brutality because the Communist Party members were
dominating the committee. GORDON HALL stated that JACK LEE
and OTIS HOOD were two of the Communist Party members that were
dominating the committee. HALL also stated that []'s
motives were in the nature of vengeance rather than to try
and correct the alleged brutality of the police in Boston.

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Memo dated Feb. 2, 1951 from SA C.A.
O'BRIEN, to SAC Boston, titled "
COUNTERTIDE"- 106 Gainsborough Street,
Boston, Massachusetts- IS-C-

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N.T. file*
There are two copies of the following
serials in file, serial 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8. They are ident
with the above subject. If the Supervisor approves, one
copy of each of the above serials should be removed from the
above file and placed in the Subject's new N.T. file.

100-13848-43

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N.T. file*
This reference appears to be identical
with the above subject, if the Supervisor
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and placed in Subject's new N.T. file.

Date _____

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☐ Main Criminal Case Files Only

☐ All References

☐ Criminal References Only

10] Main Subversive (If no Main, list all Subv. References)

☐ Main Criminal (If no Main, list all Crim. References)

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✓ 100-26287-6; 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 8;			
✓ 100-4066-63	✓		
✓ 100-13848-43			
✓ 100-1-40754			
✓ 100-1-37161; a; B;			
✓ 100-2-1112-30			

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SA THOMAS B. ESTEP

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Date Received: 4/8/59
Received From:
Received By: SA THOMAS B. ESTEP
Method of Delivery: By mail - Written by Informant
Date of Report: 4/5/59
Date of Activity: 3/23/59
Brief Description: Attended meeting at Mt Carmel Church,
Cincinnati, 3/23/59, at which TED BERRY
and GORDON D. HALL spoke.
Location:
Indexed: GERALD K. SMITH ORGANIZATION
WHITE CITIZENS COUNCIL
GORDON D. HALL

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- 1 - 100-8228 (TED BERRY)
- 1 - 100-8460 (CP-DOM. ADM. ISSUES)
- 1 - 100-11382 (CIRCUIT RIDERS)
- 1 - 105-1285 (HATE GROUPS CONTROL FILE)
- 1 - BOSTON (RM)
- 100- GORDON D. HALL

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Informant's report set forth below:

"April 5, 1959.

There was a meeting at the Mt. Carmel Church on Reading road near Rockdale, March 23, this meeting was sponsored by the Fellowship House. The main speaker was Gordon D. Hall, Ted Berry (former councilman) spoke on the need for an F.E.P.C.

Stamped post cards was passed out, and every one was urged to write on them, 'I am in favour of F.E.P.C.'. After Berry spoke, the chairman introduced Hall. The chairman was a Jewish man, this writer do not know him.

Hall spoke on the extreme right wing organizations, Hall said that he was once a member of the Gerald K. Smith organization, the White Citizens Council, and other organizations, and after learning what made them tick, he got out of them, and is now traveling over the country speaking on them.

Hall said: unAmerican activities Comm. has its eyes set on the Communist, and letting these right wing organizations, who are just as dangerous, run loose, the word Communist seem to scare people, I spoke in Phila. Pa. the other night, and after speaking a man asked me, why do our government allow Communist spies to sneak into the country, and get into the supreme court, and pass a law, that negro and white children should go to the same school? I said to him, do you think that our great organization, the F.B.I. would be so stupid as to let Communist spies enter the government? haven't you any faith at all? the F.B.I. is doing a good job, and can put a finger on most of them:

Hall showed new papers and pamphlets published by the right wingers. All of the papers was anti Negro.

After Hall spoke, every one was free to ask questions, most every one wrote the questions in, except Mrs [redacted], she asked if he knew anything

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of the Circuit Riders of Cincinnati. Hall said: the Circuit Riders is anti negro, and anti Jewish. they do not publish news papers in their own name, instead they obtain papers from other right wingers from the deep south, and pass them on to their members. the head of the Circuit riders is a man name Logan: some one wrote in the question--Is the Communist party still active in Cincinnati?

Hall said: as far as I know, it is not, there is no open activity here;

Hall said that every one should J. Edgar Hoover's book 'Masters of Deceit'

There was about 90 people at the meeting, most was Jews, there was about 30 Negroes present."

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, Boston

DATE: November 17, 1959

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-27793)

SUBJECT: GORDON D. HALL
SM - C84-2003 60267 NLS/BAW/cam
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On September 23, 1959, Mrs. [redacted], Grosse Pointe Park, Michigan, informed SA IRVING R. ANDERSON that Subject appeared at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on the evenings of September 21 - 22, 1959, and spoke before a group known as the English Speaking Union.

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It was Mrs. [redacted]'s impression that the services of the Subject were obtained through a speaker's bureau in Detroit.

Mrs. [redacted] stated that the Subject very cleverly ridiculed the United States in favor of Russia. He advocated entrance of Red China into the United Nations. According to Mrs. [redacted], the Subject stated that there is no longer a Communist threat in the United States; there are no longer any Communist front organizations in the United States; and the "Daily Worker," a Communist publication, has folded. Mrs. [redacted] stated that by such statements, the Subject attempts to make his audience feel that Communism and Russia are no longer a threat to the United States.

In his speech, the Subject stated that the United Nations, and not the United States, saved South Korea. When a member of the audience told him that 90 per cent of the Armed Forces in South Korea were furnished by the United States, he answered to the effect, "You have your figures and I have mine."

According to Mrs. [redacted], the Subject stated that Russia is contributing most of the money for the support of the United Nations.

Mrs. [redacted], Grosse Pointe War Memorial, [redacted], Grosse Pointe, Michigan, advised SA [redacted] on October 8, 1959, that the English Speaking Union, which is composed of a group of Detroit businessmen, had utilized the facilities of the

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Memorial on September 21 - 22, 1959. She stated that [redacted], Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, had been in charge of the program of the English Speaking Union for those nights.

Mr. [redacted], The Detroit Bank and Trust Company, Griswold at State, Detroit, advised SA [redacted] on October 30, 1959, that the services of GORDON D. HALL had been obtained through Mrs. [redacted], Detroit.

On November 3, 1959, Mrs. [redacted] was contacted telephonically by SA [redacted] who did not disclose his identity. Mrs. [redacted] advised that GORDON D. HALL is a professional speaker, whose address is 102 Gainsborough Street, Boston 15, Massachusetts.

The current Polk's City Directory for Detroit, Michigan, lists the occupation of [redacted] as electrical contractor. His wife's name is listed as [redacted].

Indices of the Detroit Division reflect that on May 4, 1954, [redacted], a confidential source whose identity must be concealed and who has furnished reliable information in the past ([redacted]), made available a pamphlet which is as follows:

"Contemporary Arts Group proudly presents GORDON D. HALL speaking on 'The Hate Campaign Against the United Nations and our Schools.' There is a mounting campaign of hate, suspicion and fear in the United States directed from minority groups to the churches, to the schools, to the United Nations and even to our constitutions. What are the hate groups? Who are the leaders? Who are their financial backers? What are their aims?

"GORDON D. HALL, author of 'The Hate Campaign Against the United Nations' (Beacon Press, 1953), has for six years probed the activities, the background, the personalities and the purposes of the professional hate-mongers.

"Joining him in the discussion will be representatives of American Association for the United Nations and of the World Federalists.

"Friday, March 19, 1954, at 8:30 p.m., at 1616 W. Boston Boulevard; admission \$1.00, including refreshments."

Former [redacted], who has furnished both reliable and unreliable information in the past and whose identity must be protected, stated on April 25, 1955, that the Contemporary Arts Group was a group of middle class and professional people who were concerned with political events and cultural affairs with emphasis on the social side. This group held political discussions which were always in line with the CP policy and many of the persons attending these Contemporary Arts Group affairs had also attended CP functions over a number of years. Informant stated that based on his knowledge of the CP as a former member, it was his belief that the Contemporary Arts Group was formed by the CP to attract the "liberal element."

The above informant, on January 19, 1956, advised that the Contemporary Arts Group as of that date was no longer active.

[redacted] advised on August 19, 1953 (100-19124-66-11), that as of that date [redacted], Detroit, Michigan, was a current subscriber to the "National Guardian."

The 1949 report of the California Committee on Un-American Activities, page 394, cited the "National Guardian" as a publication launched in New York in 1948

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aiming at national circulation, which they found to be from its inception notoriously Stalinist in its staff, writers, management and content.

The above information is furnished to the Boston Office for informational purposes inasmuch as GORDON D. HALL resides within that division. *R. C.*

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC: 100 -31522

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FROM : [REDACTED], SA

SUBJECT: Gordon Hall
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Mrs. [REDACTED], Newton Center, Mass personally appeared at this office on 11/25/59 and furnished the zattached re subject, which includes a letter to her from Herbert A. Philbrick mentioning the subject, two autostats re subject and one investigative report re subject. These are all being placed in the 1. exhibit file of this case, and Mrs. [REDACTED] does not desire they be returned.

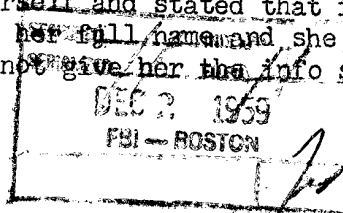
Per Mrs. [REDACTED] the investigative report was prepared by a Mr. [REDACTED] (pf), first name unknown who was until recently connected with a Mr. [REDACTED] of Belmont, Mass, brother of the man who runs the [REDACTED]. She said [REDACTED] is a well known, very anti Communist and does a lot of anti Communist and research work re it. [REDACTED] while with him prepared the above mentioned inv. report on Hall which Mrs. [REDACTED] got from [REDACTED]'s office. All the above documents are self explanatory. She described [REDACTED] as a former coordinator for [REDACTED] and said [REDACTED] has now gone to work in San Francisco.

Mrs. [REDACTED] expressed her dislike for Hall and his ideas and said he is a lecturer. She said he recently talked before the ^{Anti Red. Club} Womens Club ~~convention~~ at Swampscutt, Mass. and she told the Pres. of the Club what [REDACTED] thought of him, as shown in the ~~area~~ [REDACTED] report but he talked there anyway. He also spoke in Oct. 1959 at a ~~Womens Club~~ club in Cambridge, Mass.

[REDACTED] related that Hall is very much apposed to "hate campaigns" and has talked on this as a subject. He is also very anti-semitic. She added that his talks are very confusing and he uses a lot of "double talk" which makes it hard to know what he exactly stands for. However she related that the documents referred to above comment ~~and~~ what he is and is like etc.

The above is being submitted for information.

Just prior to Mrs. [REDACTED]'s appearance at this office a Mrs. [REDACTED] Newton Center, Mass called this office and said she was with the Womens Club of Newton Center. She said that they were having as a speaker, one Gordon Hall and she wanted to check the files of this office re him. She was given no info and appr. advised as to the Conf. Nature of FBI files. When no info was given to her she refused to further identify herself and stated that if the FBI would not give her any info, she would not give her full name and she spoke as if she was somewhat aggered that the FBI did not give her the info she wanted.



Extremist Groups His Specialty Back Bay Man Expert on Hate

"Too often I have seen cases where loyal and patriotic but misguided Americans have thought they were 'fighting Communism' by slapping the label of 'Red' or 'Communist' on anybody who happened to be different from them or to have ideas with which they did not agree." —J. EDGAR HOOVER.

By JAMES TOUMEY

A closet full of history—and old papers—in a Gainsborough street, Back Bay apartment sur-rendered an important clue about the man who two weeks ago was arrested for plotting President-elect Kennedy's assassination.

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The apartment is occupied by a confident, self-educated man named Gordon D. Hall, his wife, two children and a puppy.

The clue was a quantity of "hate" literature and letters directed against Catholics and Jews. It had been sent to New England clergymen in 1955 by Richard Paul Pavlick, five years before his recent arrest for allegedly planning Kennedy's murder.

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Gordon Hall, the keeper of the closet as well as a number of carefully indexed filing cabinets, has devoted himself for the past 15 of his 39 years to learning, lecturing and writing about America's so-called extremist groups. These groups, far right or far left, or simply "crackpot" in Hall's words, can be roughly lumped into political, religious or civil rights categories.

In two areas, religious and civil rights, recent events have kept the presses busy turning out hate literature. The election of the United States' first Catholic president gave birth to many anti-Catholic organizations and the Supreme Court integration decision awoke the slumbering racists.

What specifically is this literature and what does it say?

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Some of the anti-Jewish material carries the imprint of the Nazi swastika. A recent tabloid printed by an organization purportedly "anti-Communist" carried this page one headline: "Kennedy's Marxist Record."

The tabloid concerned with Kennedy's Marxist ties claims a paid circulation of 84,000 and has been in operation for years.

Generally regarded as the most inflammatory are the so-called civil rights tracts. One front page implores "Vote Right — Vote White" and "Build A White America."

1000 Groups

Hall estimates that there are about 1000 extremist groups currently operating in the country and that their publications and messages reach about 3,500,000 persons. The organizations included in this figure range from the firmly entrenched groups which have been spreading their filth over the land for years to the "fly-by-nights" and the crank "flouridation is rat poison" outfits.

"I hold, unlike most people," Hall comments, "that most of the people involved in these organizations tend to be perfectly sincere, but they are misguided and filled with misinformation."

As Hall explains, he himself came in for a good measure of misinformation during World War II while he was serving with the Air Force in the Aleutian Islands.

In a special services outfit—he played basketball—with plenty of time on his hands, he fell into a disillusioning experience with a group he identifies today as a "Red cell." If it was disillusioning it was also educational, Hall comments today. He promptly pulled out of the group and stuck with rebounding until the war ended. But the

experience stayed with him and by 1945 he had decided there were many people who needed the same education.

Hate Is Business

Up to that time Hall had been entertaining the idea that he might like to play professional basketball, but instead turned to the lonely, little-appreciated work of trying to inform the misinformed and guide the misguided.

"I just don't like hate mongers," Hall, who is a strong Unitarian, told *The Herald* last week. "Hate is still a \$1,000,000 business in the United States, and someone has to do something about it."

Aside from giving about 150 lectures annually all over the country, Hall is consistently consulted by groups, newspapers and various authorities. His correspondence is voluminous—more than 100 letters a week—some asking questions and some replying to his questions as he works to keep up with the hate business.

It has taken dedication and courage—for him and his wife, Dorothy, sons Richard, 14, and David 7—to become what might fairly be described as the country's foremost authority on extremist groups. His windows have been shattered and there have been hundreds of threatening phone calls. "You learn to wrap the phone in a blanket," says Hall unhappily.

On Dec. 5, a bomb threat broke up one of his scheduled lectures at a Methodist Church in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Hall, who has had his share of "lean" years, recently became co-owner of a pet store but he is afraid to be connected with the store in print because "they would smash my windows."

Many Successor

But for all the difficulties, there have been many successes. Among them an appearance on the Dave Garroway TV show ("I did very poorly because I made the mistake of asking Garroway a question") and recent correspondence with Steve Allen ("very interested in these extremist groups").

Hall, who believes he has the largest collection of "hate" literature in the country, was able to pinpoint the past eccentricities of Richard Paul Pavlick, the ex-Weymouth postal clerk, who is being held for plotting President-elect Kennedy's death.

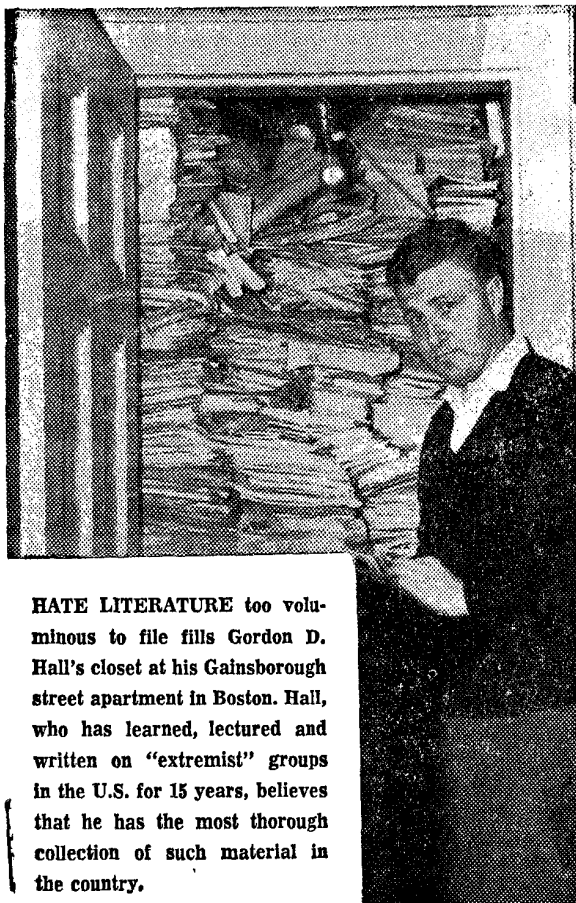
As soon as he heard of Pavlick's arrest in West Palm Beach, Fla., Hall dug five personal letters from his files and a folder which Pavlick had circulated in 1955. They told of a deep current of anti-Catholicism which helped to explain the motives of 73-year-old Pavlick who said he planned to turn himself into a human bomb by strapping the dynamite onto his body and kill both himself and Kennedy.

For a number of hours before Hall's information was released by newspapers, first in Boston, he held the exclusive key to why Pavlick, in his own words — would "have the crazy idea I wanted to stop Kennedy from being president."

Please see that the enclosed sheets are distributed to those interested and secure as many interested persons as possible so that the coming session of Congress will have before it an Amendment to separate the church and State.

at home, truly
Richard P. Pavlick
Box 26 Belmont, N.H.

FINAL PARAGRAPH of this letter was written in 1955 by Richard Paul Pavlick five years before his arrest last month on charges of plotting to kill President-elect Kennedy. It went to Iowa friend.



HATE LITERATURE too voluminous to file fills Gordon D. Hall's closet at his Gainsborough street apartment in Boston. Hall, who has learned, lectured and written on "extremist" groups in the U.S. for 15 years, believes that he has the most thorough collection of such material in the country.

Note: Hand print names legibly; handwriting satisfactory for remainder.

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Facts of complaint <i>Miss</i> <i>advised that she heard Gordon Hall</i> <i>speak on Jerry Williams radio program, Ltr at</i> <i>Boston Mass on 1/6/61, at which time Hall</i> <i>talked about "Hate Groups" in the U.S. She</i> <i>was unable to furnish any specific information,</i> <i>but feels that Hall should be investigated</i> <i>as she feels that he is dangerous to the</i> <i>U.S.</i>						
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Public Opinion Called Answer To Extremism

Speaker Says People Should Be Enlightened On Far Right Groups

Enlightened public opinion, not legislation or angry demonstration, is the only answer to political extremism in this country, an authority on ultra-right-wing movements said last night.

Gordon D. Hall of Boston told an audience at the First Unitarian Church in Providence:

"Unless you are well informed, I don't see how you can cope with this kind of irresponsible anti-communism."

Mr. Hall, who has spent 15 years detailing to U.S. audiences the workings of the far right, underscored the operation of two currently talked-about groups—the John Birch Society and George Lincoln Rockwell's American Nazi Party—as he outlined the anatomy of extremism.

He termed the John Birch Society, with headquarters in Belmont, Mass., "the most important" of the self-styled patriotic groups that would "save us from something, in this case communism, socialism and the welfare state."

The group, organized by Robert H. W. Welch Jr., a retired candy manufacturer, who has called former President Eisenhower a dedicated Communist agent, has a paid membership of at least 100,000 and possibly upward of 150,000, according to Mr. Hall.

He called it "an organized, dynamic, cell type movement" with cells in 34 states. (In one of his tracts, Mr. Welch lists Rhode Island as one of 16 states where, as of Jan. 31, no "organizing effort" had begun.)

The society, which boasts the backing of many persons whose names have been attached to national ultra-conservative movements in the past, has, according to Mr. Hall, set up many front organizations to carry out various aims. One is the "Committee Against Summit Entanglements," another a group agitating for the impeachment of President Kennedy.

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ment of Chief Justice Earl Warren of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In his writings, Mr. Hall said the audience of about 60 persons, Mr. Welch has branded NATO as "part of the Communist plan to enslave the world."

Referring to Mr. Welch's extensive library on communism and Marxism, Mr. Hall said that if the John Birch leader "was familiar with the Communist line he would know that NATO is the number one target of Communists the world over. It is our number one shield."

Using the now-familiar tactics of extreme agitators, Mr. Hall noted, the Birch Society has begun to make itself felt all over the country with its harassing of school officials, lecturers, textbook writers and the like.

He cited the case of Steve Allen, the television entertainer, who has made bewildered inquiries to Mr. Hall about what the society is since it has been picketing his public appearances, trying to block him from getting into meeting halls where he speaks on efforts for world peace.

Mr. Hall warned that the mob treatment in Boston of Rockwell, whom he puts on the completely fanatical right with the Ku Klux Klan, could boomerang by playing into the hands of witch-hunting legislators who want to make political capital out of something that can be fought without distorting its relative importance.

Rockwell went to Boston in January to picket the showing of "Exodus," a movie centering on the growth of the state of Israel, and had to be spirited away by police as he was attacked by a mob.

Mr. Hall, who accompanied Rockwell in Boston, said the self-styled Nazi admitted he had not read the book or seen the movie, but he wanted to picket it "because," just like a child who could not explain his actions, as Mr. Hall put it.

But he said that "in the final analysis, the mob was wrong. They would have killed him. I saw people with knives ready to plunge one into him if they had a chance."

He called the action there as bad as the mob spirit at the University of Georgia over the entrance of Negro students. "If you are going to be anti-totalitarian, you have got to be anti-mob too."

Mr. Hall criticized "humanitarian" civil rights - conscious Bostonians who were silent about the rioting, whereas they would have risen indignantly if someone else's rights were endangered.

He said there was "a lot of applause for the spirit of the mob in Boston." He reminded the church gathering that "everybody believes in free speech until someone has a really unpleasant idea."

"This may sound liberal to some of you, but I think it needs to be said. We are not living in a totalitarian system and certain people need to be reminded of this."

"Unless somebody can show me an alternative, extremist groups have the right to picket peacefully and have their say, however distasteful it may be."

Mr. Hall said Rockwell said he was going back to Boston "and picket even if they kill me."

He warned, "We have reached the stage where refugee groups from all over the world play into the hands" of right wingers "and are allowed to get away with it."

People in Boston, Mr. Hall felt, "have to get on with the business" of explaining to victims of Nazi persecution that things like Rockwell's actions go on in the context of a democracy, not in a totalitarian atmosphere.

Citing Cuban street-fighting

in New York and demonstrations at the United Nations, Mr. Hall said that unless this is made clear, there will be increasing violence in the streets in the coming months which will lead to harsher immigration laws devised by ultra-conservative legislators.

Another type of extremist is the one intent "not on saving us from something, but saving us for something—Christianity," Mr. Hall noted.

Never underestimate this kind of appeal. Many Americans say that since Soviet slavery is bad, anyone against it is good," he said.

He emphasized that these groups, like Gerald L. K. Smith's Christian Nationalist Crusade and the American Council of Christian Churches, operate completely outside of the main stream of the American church movement, under a hard-core fundamentalist banner.

Smith, who has called Mr. Eisenhower a "Swedish Jew—if he weren't Jewish, why do they call him Ike?"—and said President Kennedy is propelled by the "Zionist Communist conspiracy, still is quite active," Mr. Hall said.

The Bostonian decried the lack of explanation in the press of the anti-Catholic motivation of these groups in hurling "wild charges about evangelists being stoned and hounded in the streets abroad."

He said these very charges "often are accepted by people who assail their stand on Catholicism in this country."

The third major grouping on

the right, as Mr. Hall said, is the so-called "states rights" movement, which he said obviously is more concerned with the relations of Negroes and whites than the broader spectrum of state vs. federal control.

He cited the case of a man from Chattanooga who waxed ecstatic on a national television program about the rebuilding of the city accomplished largely through U.S. aid, but said the federal government "should mind its own business" when the question of school desegregation was raised.

Every plank in the National States Rights Party's platform dealt with Negro-white relations in the same way, he noted.

The compelling force for all extremist groups, he is convinced, is patriotism. "They really believe they are serving the best interests of the country."

Although it is obvious that extremists are goaded into such movements by individual hatreds, he held that "no one seriously sets out to be an extremist group, to deliberately thwart the ambition of a minority group."

"Even poor George Lincoln Rockwell really thinks he has a mission to perform."

DIRECTOR, FBI

April 4, 1961

SAC, ATLANTA (100-6121)

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The following is set out for information of the Bureau and the Boston Division. No further action to be taken by Atlanta.

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Mrs. [redacted], Atlanta, Ga., advised on February 15, 1961, she attended two meetings of the Buckhead Business and Professional Women's Club. One of these meetings was held on February 8, 1961, at the YWCA and the other was held on February 13, 1961, at the Dixie House Restaurant. Mrs. [redacted] said that Mrs. [redacted], wife of [redacted], Atlanta, Georgia, was responsible for bringing the subject to Atlanta to speak before different civic groups. Mrs. [redacted] said that subject spoke at the above two meetings and she understood he also spoke recently at the Rotary Club near Brookwood Station in Atlanta.

Mrs. [redacted] stated she thought the FBI should be informed that the subject was denouncing patriotic men who are informing the public about Communist front organizations. She said the subject criticized the House Committee on Un-American Activities as withholding the truth and for not being factual. Mrs. [redacted] also advised the subject was using the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit" for reference material in putting across some of his points, i.e., the public should not become involved in trying to investigate Communism, but should leave it up to the experts.

Mrs. [redacted] said that her main objection to the subject was that he denounced groups and persons of a conservative nature.

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Mrs. [] stated that subject resides at 102 Gainsboro Street, Boston or Beaconton, Massachusetts. She stated according to the subject he was one of nine children and his deceased father was a movie director. He claimed that he quit school at the age of 14 and yet allowed himself to be introduced as Doctor GORDON D. HALL. Mrs. [] stated subject claimed to represent himself only as a free-lance lecturer, but NINA HALE, Secretary of the Foreign Policy Association, stated that she had booked him to speak in Atlanta.

There is enclosed for the Boston Division one copy of a transcript, prepared by Mrs. [], Atlanta, furnished on February 16, 1961. Mrs. [] stated that she typed this transcript from notes she had made in shorthand at a meeting of the Buckhead Business and Professional Women's Club, held on February 13, 1961, at the Dixie House Restaurant. This transcript is in detail the speech given by subject, as well as questions and answers at the end of the speech. 143

Also, enclosed is a copy of the first page of a letter written to Mr. [], Atlanta, Georgia, dated 2/13/61, from Mr. [], Americanism Committee, Waldo Slaton Post, American Legion, Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. [] furnished this to the Atlanta Office on February 15, 1961. It sets forth reasons why the Grand Jury should question the subject. 144

Subject has not been questioned by the Fulton County Grand Jury, and he has reportedly left Atlanta and returned to his home in Boston.

Enclosed for Boston is a Photostat of a two-page article entitled, "An Evening With An Anti-Right Wing Rabble-Rouser" by THOMAS BURKE CARSON. It criticizes subject for a speech in which he denounces all right-wing conservative organizations. 145

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AT MACON, GEORGIA

The following investigation was conducted by
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Mrs. []
[], Atlanta, Georgia, appeared at the Macon Resident Agency on February 10, 1961, and advised that GORDON D. HALL from Boston, Massachusetts, about 31 years of age, was to address the Civitan Club, Macon, in the Dempsey Hotel at 1:15 p.m., February 10, 1961. She stated that she desired that an Agent hear this address by HALL, but was advised this was impossible.

Mrs. [] stated that HALL lectures before groups throughout the U. S. speaking against anti-Communist organizations such as "The Church League of America," headed by EDGAR BUNDY, and the John Birch Society, founded by ROBERT WELCH of Belmont, Massachusetts.

She stated that HALL refers to these and other groups as Hate Groups, and by general statements, innuendo and by the use of psychology alarms his listeners and causes them to avoid joining or associating in any way with the groups he names. She stated that he states the FBI is checking and investigating these groups and will take the necessary action against the leaders and members of these groups when the time comes.

Mrs. [] stated that HALL states that ROBERT (BOB) WELCH, founder of the John Birch Society, has declared former President EISENHOWER is a Communist and that WELCH has also declared NATO is a Communist-inspired organization and should be done away with. She stated that she has studied WELCH's writings and knows for a fact that he has never made any such statements in his John Birch Society literature. Mrs. [] stated that she belongs to the John Birch Society, promotes this society, and believes in this society.

She advised that HALL smears most patriotic men in the United States with his general statements and innuendo,

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and when questioned by listeners that disagree with him actually or indirectly calls the questioner a liar.

She stated that she wanted the FBI to be aware of the fact HALL was in Georgia, and in Macon and that he had other speeches scheduled in Georgia. She stated she had heard HALL in Atlanta on the night of February 9, 1961.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]:

On February 13, 1961, GEORGE SNIDER BIRCH, Route One, Macon, Georgia, came to the Macon Resident Agency, and advised he was the father of JOHN BIRCH, for whom the John Birch Society was named. Mr. BIRCH brought to the Macon Resident Agency a news clipping from the "Macon News," dated February 10, 1961, Page One, entitled "Extremist Groups Hit in Talk Here." Mr. BIRCH requested the FBI to conduct investigation concerning GORDON D. HALL, as it was his opinion that HALL was a Communist or a subversive. In addition, Mr. BIRCH presented a piece of paper containing typewritten excerpts from the "National Review," November 8, 1958, which contained further information on HALL. Mr. BIRCH said that Mr. [redacted] of [redacted], Macon, Georgia, has some information on HALL.

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Mr. BIRCH stated he feels certain that HALL is a Communist because of HALL's attack on the American Legion, Daughters of the American Revolution, and such persons as ROBERT H. W. WELCH, JR., Cambridge, Mass., Founder of the John Birch Society, and EDGAR C. BUNDY, Church League of America, and other dedicated Americans fighting Communism.

Mr. BIRCH said he had written to J. EDGAR HOOVER recently concerning HALL and had come directly to the Macon Resident Agency to furnish the clipping and typewritten excerpts.

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On February 13, 1961, [redacted]

[redacted], Atlanta, Georgia, advised that he attended a meeting of the Brookwood Rotary Club on February 7, 1961, and a meeting of the Wesley Foundation House on Georgia Tech Campus on February 10, 1961. [redacted] stated that subject was the main speaker at both of these meetings and he believes he should be called to the attention of any agencies responsible for investigating of Communism. [redacted] stated the reason he believed this was because the subject castigated many right-wing groups such as the John Birch Society, American Council of Churches, and Colonel BUNDY. [redacted] stated the subject also recommended that the House Committee on Un-American Activities be abolished as it is a "witch hunting" and "hatemongering" investigative body.

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[redacted] stated the subject said his purpose in speaking was to try to raise a level of public opinion to the point where they would ignore such groups and individuals as the John Birch Society, DAN SMOOT, ROBERT WELCH and Colonel BUNDY. HALL also attempted to lump the John Birch Society and ROBERT WELCH with such actual hate groups as States Rights Party and "Common Sense" newspaper.

[redacted] stated that the subject was introduced at the February 10, 1961 meeting as representing the Foreign Policy Association, but when he got up to speak, he denied being a member of FPA, although admitted he did represent it in a way. He claimed he was mainly a free-lance writer and lecturer.

Mrs. [redacted], Atlanta, advised on February 15, 1961, that she attended a meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club at the YWCA, Atlanta, on February 8, 1961. Mrs. [redacted] stated the subject was the main speaker and was introduced by Mrs. [redacted]. Mrs. [redacted] stated that she believes the subject to have some ideas which

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may be Communistic. She stated her reason for this belief is that he criticized persons such as BUNDY, who are known to be patriotic Americans. She stated the subject attributed statements to BUNDY, which actually came from Racists and hate groups, such as the National States Rights Party. Mrs. [] stated also the subject would after making complimentary remarks about "Masters of Deceit" use it out of context to criticize BUNDY.

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Mrs. [] stated the subject said the John Birch Society called former President EISENHOWER and President KENNEDY Communists when she knew as a fact that the John Birch Society had never done this. Mrs. [] pointed out the subject also told the amateurs who are interested in Communism to forget about it while she knows that "Masters of Deceit" recommends all citizens be alert to Communism.

Mrs. [] said that she understood the subject to be an author from Boston, Mass., who was on a lecture tour.

All of the above information was volunteered to the Atlanta Office and no investigation was conducted.

Says Nation Has 1,000 'Hate Groups'

More than 1,000 different organizations are preaching doctrines of hatred in the United States today, Gordon Hall of Boston, a student of hate groups, said in Newport last night.

Mr. Hall addressed the 23rd annual meeting of the New England regional conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

He defined hate groups as organizations which make unsubstantiated charges against political, religious, economic and ethnic groups.

While the charges are irrational and fantastic, the members of the organizations think they are acting from the highest motives, Mr. Hall said.

He urged his audience to develop the critical ability to identify extremist organizations.

Sen. Claiborne Pell said in an address to the conference:

"I have seen improvement in racial relations, but it has not been fast enough for a world moving at jet speed. The constitution must be made equally applicable to all."

Master of ceremonies was Edward Jackson, chairman of the conference. Invocation was by the Rev. Daniel Q. Williams, rector of the Emmanuel Church.

Among the speakers were Ed Lisbon, president of the Newport branch of the NAACP, and Jeannetta Clark, regional conference president. The Rev. John Agnew of Channing Memorial Church gave the benediction.

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Probes Rightists

Gordon Hall Keeps Eye On Super-Patriotism

By LEWIS W. WOLFSON

Gordon D. Hall of Boston has spent the last 16 years as self-appointed renovator for the damage he feels is done by self-styled patriots to the fragile ideals of our democracy.

He probably is the one man in the country who knows more about the extreme right wing—its ultra-conservatives, its religious zealots, its out-right fascists—than any other.

Because he finds democracy a subtle wine to be savored slowly in quiet lest its heady brew fill a man too full of proclaimed truth, he undoubtedly would be voted one of the men the high priests of the extreme right would least like to see succeed.

Yet, there is such an aura of unemotional reasonableness about him, such a willingness to lend his ear to anyone's story—flavored with a disarming boyish charm that belies his 39 years—that he has access to and even, in many cases, the confidence of the very men whose personal dogmas he would expose.

—Robert H. W. Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, devotes five pages of his "Blue Book" to a treatise on "stopping the damage done by speakers like Gordon Hall." Mr. Welch cites Mr. Hall as typical of "dozens of slimy characters loose in our midst," and details a blueprint for sabotaging his lectures.

Yet, his nemesis has been



Gordon D. Hall

on the phone a good deal talking to Mr. Welch and, at Mr. Hall's request, the Birch leader tentatively agreed to meet with him.

(But lunch was out. Mr. Hall said Mr. Welch was much too "smart" to break bread with him since the Communists always are trying to get him.)

—Last month George Lincoln Rockwell, the leader of the American Nazi Party, was arrested on a pretext in Massachusetts on his way to

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Gordon Hall, Nemesis Of the Extreme Right

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picket at a meeting at which Mr. Hall was speaking.

A few days later, "Smelly"—Rockwell's semi-affectionate name for Mr. Hall—received a call from the self-styled Nazi (called "Big mouth" in return) who tried to needle him about not defending Rockwell's right to demonstrate.

In fact, a letter from Mr. Hall on that very point had appeared in a Boston paper that day. (Mr. Hall calls Rockwell "ruthless, misguided, vicious. . . . Yet, when I tell him he has the right of freedom of speech he is puzzled.")

—In 1947, by listening and playing dumb, Mr. Hall spent the better part of six months in Gerald L. K. Smith's hate organization. He lived in Smith's home with the "Christian Crusaders," but did little work, claiming he was too stupid or too nervous to speak or collect signatures.

Smith frequently confided in him. When he finally left the group, he wrote Smith a long letter denouncing his fanatical Christian Nationalist Party. Smith was oblivious to its sting.

Each of these groups represents a different facet of the far right:

The groups that want to save you from something, namely communism (Birch Society); to save you for something, namely Christianity (Christian Nationalists); or the unclassifiable fringe (Rockwell's Nazis, the Ku Klux Klan).

Another type of right wing group is the states righters, many of whom actually are concerned, not with the broad spectrum of state's rights, but with race relations.

This, in a capsule, is what Gordon Hall has told hundreds of audiences for more than a decade about the anatomy of the extreme right wing.

He does not offer certitudes; he simplifies explanations but does not make solution simple; he is neither the irate scolder nor the venom-filled haranguer; rather, he sees himself as the patient teacher.

And, often, when he is finished, his audience—if open-minded—is confused to realize suddenly the complexity of the problems for which these groups offer easy answers, and, on top of it, it is bewildered by the speaker's insistence that if no law is broken, the hate-mongers, the

fanatically militant anti-Communists, the sowers of mistrust have their right to speak.

"Ambiguity is a part of all our lives and we must learn to live with it. You've got to learn that to have freedom, you have to allow Rockwell to have freedom, too. There are no easy answers," says Mr. Hall.

"People," he finds, "want to be told what to do. They join movements that offer the truth in easy packages."

"The Birch Society (when it meets) has an agenda. I don't. People go out of my lectures feeling nothing has been resolved. I don't pretend to resolve these things."

A frequent question—several persons put it to him after his talk in Providence recently—goes, "What can I do as an individual?"

"In some respects," he says, "there is very little you can do except try to educate yourself, make sure you are informed, bring your children up to understand, defend the values of a free society."

His fight is a lonely one in the sense that he has no ties; he represents no special interest — like the NAACP, church groups, the B'nai B'rith; he eschews the militant approach.

The John Birch Society "is going to be with us for a long time" though its current public exposure will hurt what probably is the "best organized extremist group" to emerge on the national scene in many years.

This is Mr. Hall's view.

A year ago Gordon Hall recognized the unusual strength that Robert H. W. Welch of Belmont, Mass., had gathered for his militant organization but was unsuccessful in getting exposure.

Now, he is fountainhead of information on the Birch Society for many U.S. newspapers, national magazines and the radio and television networks.

Is the John Birch Society something new? Why is it apparently so strong? Why, in little more than two years of existence, has it gained upwards of 100,000 members, with Mr. Welch shooting for a million. How do you fight communism and other social evils and still keep extremism in check?

Robert Welch is a well-educated man with a long experience in business.

"Other movements," says Mr. Hall, "have been led by men who lacked Welch's long years as a top-level business executive. Lacked his financial resources and his positions in his town and throughout the country."

More interesting, says Mr. Hall, is the fact that he has been Johnny-come-lately to far right activity.

So little was known of Mr. Welch's past record, Mr. Hall feels, that even after the day in December, 1958, when he laid out his plans (later to become the Blue Book), "he was able to organize in semi-secret fashion a formidable movement that was well under way and tightly organized when the first press exposure struck."

It is, says Mr. Hall, a "respectable cause—fighting communism, seeking less governmental control. Mr. Welch's basic premises are pretty much in the mainstream of the American way of life."

But just how has he secured such strong active support?

Mr. Hall lays this to Mr. Welch's mobilization of:

1) The remaining isolationist sentiment in this country—"the Fortress America idea—we can go it alone and don't need NATO or other mutual security arrangements."

2) The element in the business community "which never has felt at home in a mixed economy since the post-depression period of the 30s." From the emergence of big government, big labor, big business, "all sorts of uneasiness" resulted.

3) A great many people who never felt at home with our changing social patterns—"the idea of an integrated community, for example."

4) People "who feel that since we deal with a ruthless enemy, any kind of ruthless measure is all right."

5) People "fursing a grudge" against the intellectual and the egghead.

Mr. Hall, who has talked to Mr. Welch himself (though he

is branded as "slimy" by the Birch leader) and to many other Birchers, finds they have one thing in common:

"They have an incredible fear of communism and a near-total loss of faith in our security arrangements to deal with this problem."

"To accept the notion that Communists virtually control the United States is to say that the FBI and other security agencies have been very inadequate in protecting us."

He agrees with Atty. Gen. Robert Kennedy's view that this sort of anti-communism is "ridiculous."

"I really don't think it's the Communist menace that is bothering so many of the individuals attracted to these movements as it is a lack of understanding of themselves," Mr. Hall said.

"We are all inadequate in many ways—as parents, as citizens, as job-holders; in short, as human beings. But rather than coming to grips with themselves, they find scapegoats."

"Rather than facing up to complexities and learning to live with ambiguities in daily life, they develop a conspiratorial view of history which provides easy answers for what are often near-insoluble dilemmas."

The youthful investigator, who has educated himself by devouring hundreds of books, challenges the respectability attached to the Birch Society because prominent, financially-successful persons have joined it.

"The fact that they have joined a semi-secret movement, accepted the methods it advocates and have accepted (or overlooked) the charges leveled by Welch indiscriminately, opens to serious question how educated they really are."

When, says Mr. Hall, the individual "accepts the view that the end justifies the means, he makes a mockery of being a supposedly civilized, educated person."

How do you fight extremism and still fight communism?

It is, Mr. Hall, feels, by becoming informed, educating yourself and, in turn, educating your children.

"We have all the means to bring about an informed citizenry and we remain politically unsophisticated electorate

—there is apathy, lack of curiosity, lack of taking politics as seriously as we should."

He suggests that to fight extremism, people should:

1) Be made aware of such a group "and not run away from it when it crosses your path;"

2) "Raise the level of public opinion so high that everyone will snicker, as when Robert Welch calls former President Eisenhower a Communist."

3) Support groups that try to fight injustice.

"Accentuate the positive," he concludes. "Make the ideas of democracy and freedom much bigger and better than these types of ideas."

Gordon and Dorothy Hall and their sons, Richard, 14, and David, 7, occupy whatever space in their four-room Back Bay apartment is not filled with hate literature. ("I collect as much as I can get my hands on. It keeps it out of circulation," he tells his audiences).

They have followed a life tailored to the demands Mr. Hall put upon them since that day 16 years ago when a friend handed him a newspaper on which were printed words that he thought had been buried in the debris of five years of world war.

He was brought up on Long Island, and left school at the age of 15. Working at odd jobs to support his mother and sister, he eventually caught on with a small aircraft manufacturer just as the Nazis began marching across Europe.

Early in World War II, assigned to the Aleutians by the Air Corps, Mr. Hall fell in with an incohesive group of writers and musicians who awed him with their heady political and intellectual ideas. He began to read avidly. Then, he began to question.

It suddenly dawned on him that their idea of freedom was different from his:

"I knew instinctively that they were talking about a kind of freedom and a kind of war I was not." They spoke glowingly of the Russian war effort, belittling our own.

"I realized," he says, "they wanted to make the country over in the Soviet image."

They were, he recognized later, "essentially pro-Communist, and theirs was a kind of Birch mentality: If you're not for me, you're against me. There is no middle ground.

"In their eyes something could not be just good or bad per se but had to be part of a conspiracy."

Gordon Hall came out of World War II a "very strong anti-Nazi and anti-Fascist" but, above all, he was anti-totalitarianism of any kind.

Shortly after his return, an executive of the aircraft firm which he had rejoined dropped a newspaper on his desk with the words, "This will give you the lowdown on the Communists in America."

Mr. Hall couldn't believe his

eyes. He was livid at the venom against Jews and Negroes spread out on the pages of "Think," the forerunner of Conde McGinley's widely-distributed "Common Sense."

He went to McGinley as "a young veteran interested in his work," and for four hours McGinley spilled out how "all we need is clean cut Christians to fight the Jews."

From there the die was cast. He felt like "ringing doorbells to tell people what was happening," what the purveyors of hate were spreading.

Figuratively, Mr. Hall has been ringing doorbells since.

From 1946 he moved around the United States, drifting from one movement to another — the Constitutional Educational League, the Columbians, the Christian Nationalist Party — collecting information on "the whole network of extreme right wing organizations that are loosely affiliated."

By 1950 his savings had run out, his wife's job was not enough to sustain them and he began the lecturing and writing that have been his bread and butter since. He has lectured in 35 states to audiences ranging from small church groups to as many as a thousand persons. Last year he gave more than 125 lectures.

He also has made many radio and television appearances.

Early in his work he was supported for about a year by the Friends of Democracy, a privately-subsidized civil liberties group. He has had no other ties, finding them too restricted.

Hundreds of pieces of mail flood weekly into the Halls' small apartment. He painstakingly scans and indexes them and dashes off requests for data about new groups.

He also sends out about 2,000 bundles of hate materials a year on request, screening to whom it goes to avoid propagation.

A crack basketball player, Mr. Hall is a walking catalogue of information on all sports. But his great recreation is reading and his greatest inspiration is Thomas Wolfe, whose life he has researched.

From Wolfe he learned that "the essence of all belief is doubt."

Mr. Hall chose to probe the

extreme right rather than the extreme left for two reasons:

He felt that there are many watchdog groups eyeing the left, "but nobody is consistently watching the right" in similar fashion; and the characteristic far right assaults on minority groups were abhorrent to him after he had seen a war that essentially was racist, engendered by the Nazi idea of Aryan supremacy.

He is threatened often—poisoned phone calls in the dead of night are not uncommon in the Hall home—but save for some occasional pushing around on the platform, he never has been assaulted.

He fights the doctrine of the extreme right like the mountain climber "because it is there."

Indeed, he is fond of quoting Sen. Clifford Case's stand on McCarthyism: "To allow such expressions to go unchallenged, ultimately brutalizes all of us."

Extremist Groups Studied

Full-Time Job

By Robert P. Hey

Staff Writer of
The Christian Science Monitor

"I just had to move," Gordon Hall explained rather plaintively the other day. "The file cabinets have taken over the house."

Anyone who has ever been to his apartment in Boston's Back Bay knows what he means. Files with carefully mounted background material on extremist groups are everywhere.

In his 15 years as a full-time researcher-writer-lecturer on extremist organizations in the United States, Mr. Hall has carried on a "voluminous correspondence" with extremists. He finds it a "major task" just indexing and filing the information gleaned from these letters, the six newspapers he clips daily, and relevant material others send him.

He deals both with groups on the "hard left"—such as the United States Communist Party—and the "extreme right," of which he considers the John Birch Society an "excellent contemporary example."

Rightists Emphasized

Emphasis is on groups of the "hard right," which he defines as "that general area beyond responsible conservative circles."

Mr. Hall tries to put the claims of extremist movements in proper perspective, showing fallacies in their reasoning and providing as many facts about each group's operations and beliefs as he can lay his hands on. And he has an amazing mass of facts, especially when you realize that he also does his own legwork. His is strictly a one-man operation.

Except for the ever-present desk work, speaking engagements in all parts of the country probably keep him busier than any single other facet of his unusual livelihood—which is not, he says, especially remunerative. While on speaking trips he contacts local extremists,

in order to keep his information up-to-date.

He also appears on radio and television broadcasts frequently, and has written numerous articles for nationwide magazines and several newspapers.

Queries Pour In

During the recent commotion over the John Birch Society, for several days the telephone in his apartment at 102 Gainsboro Street rang almost constantly. Reporters and broadcasters found his background information invaluable.

Though old extremists die out and new ones arise, the principles and appeal of extremists remain constant, Mr. Hall says.

He puts 1,000 or so radical organizations with which he concerns himself into four basic categories.

Largest single group today are those "saving us from something," he says, "namely from communism, socialism, and the welfare state." A prime example is the Belmont-based Birch Society.

Many groups are "saving us for something," usually Christianity," Mr. Hall adds, such as the Christian Nationalist Crusade of Gerald L. K. Smith. Lest anyone think extremists raise little interest and less money, he says the Smith-run movement took in more than \$200,000 in donations during 1960.

Regional Impact Cited

Third category of extremists, according to Mr. Hall, are the regional organizations, "which, while claiming to defend the rights of one state against an ever-expanding federal government, devote most of their time to stirring up trouble in the direction of the Negro quarter." As an example, he cites the White Citizens Council, active in several southern states.

"Finally," he says, "there are groups making the bold and frank bid for political power—such as the Communist Party and the American Nazi Party."

George Lincoln Rockwell."

To those who question why a man would devote his full efforts to combating extremist movements, Mr. Hall replies that although these organizations often seem a "minor irritant" on the national scale, in local areas they can stir up "very serious trouble."

"In some instances extremists have been able to capture a majority in local PTA's or school committees," he says. "Then only the most rigid kind of curriculum is adhered to. Often there is neither a realistic examination of East-West problems nor any information about the kind of troubled world in which we live."

Censorship Exercised

"And extremists will only allow books acceptable to them to remain in school libraries."

Communities, he says, which, due to the local power of extremists have become battlegrounds over school textbooks during the past decade include:

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Houston, Texas; Los Angeles and Pasadena, Calif.; and Scarsdale, New York.

"But even if extremist groups did nothing more than just badly confuse the electorate on issues," Mr. Hall emphasizes, "that alone should make people decide to take steps to correct these abuses."

He hastens to add that he is "not out to silence anybody." Rather he wants to "raise the level of public opinion" about issues. Quietly but earnestly, he says, this is "the only answer" to combating extremist groups within the framework of a democratic system.

It is also imperative that someone provide the facts about radical groups, he believes, because:

- Their "indiscriminate name-calling" has cost individuals loss of livelihood;
- "Citizens inflamed by some groups have caused physical injury to individuals;
- By their constant pressure some extremist organizations have "hampered our conduct of a more realistic foreign policy";
- Despite the historical traditions of the United States, the "raw material for totalitarianism is everpresent in our society, since its people can be mobilized." Such militant organizations as the Black Muslims of Elijah Muhammad, the Ku Klux Klan and the John Birch Society are examples of highly mobilized groups, he says.

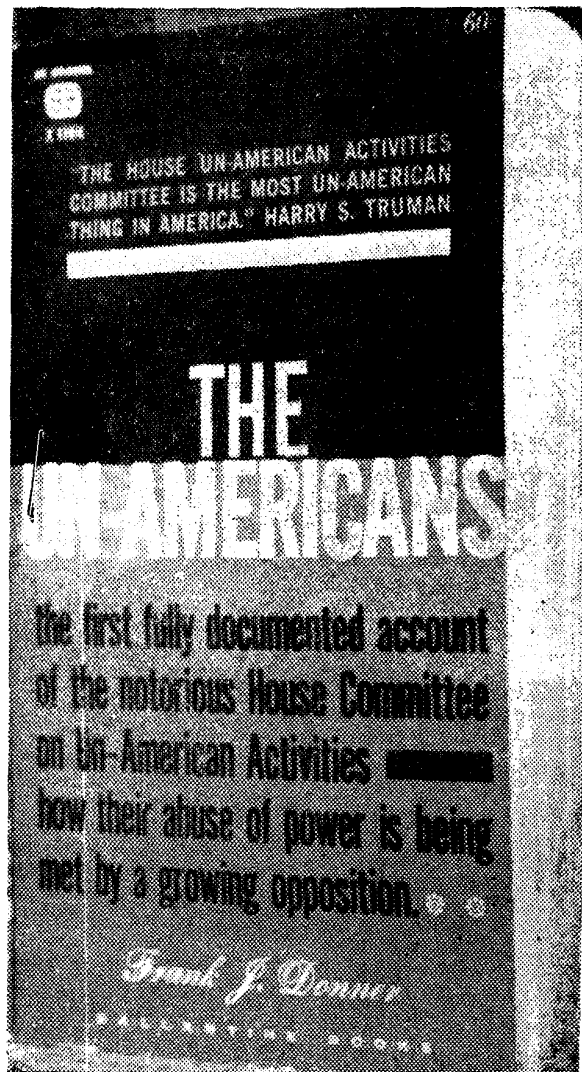


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Gordon D. Hall

Expert on extremist groups

CITES 'UN-AMERICANS' A DEEPER CLEAVAGE



"It has become desperately important for us to see ourselves clearly."

To the Editor of The Herald:

I was privileged to receive in mid-June an advance copy of THE UN-AMERICANS, a book purporting to be "the first fully documented account of the notorious House Committee on Un-American Activities." Being a long time critic of HUAC, I confess to difficulty in maintaining an open mind concerning many of its investigations, but because of the controversy that is certain to develop relative to the merit of this new book I wish to comment on it at this time.

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tory. No mention is made of this in THE UN-AMERICANS.

Mr. Donner is especially harsh on a number of ex-Communists, FBI agents, and other friendly witnesses at HUAC hearings. Recalling the bizarre and shameful episodes involving Harvey Matusow one is tempted to believe the worst about some of these people but undocumented charges about a "sordid private life," "a long history of mental disturbance and alcoholism" and a past "criminal record" is reminiscent of the character assassination the author is deploring.

To begin with THE UN-AMERICANS abounds with the same guilty-by-association technique frequently employed by HUAC itself. Pages 25 through 31 are studded with pro-HUAC quotations from a number of discredited hate publications. The author carelessly links the noted anti-Semite Gerald L. K. Smith to HUAC's 1947 investigation of alleged Communism in Hollywood, offering this quote from Mr. Smith's magazine THE CROSS AND THE FLAG to prove his point: "We do take credit, we Christian Nationalists, for the recent investigation into Hollywood." Smith is forever writing in this vein but such claims are made for his deluded followers and this should not escape a trained lawyer such as author Frank Donner.

The late Fritz Kuhn, pre-World War II leader of the German-American Bund is also quoted as having praised HUAC. Mr. Donner may be correct here although he fails to provide the source of the quotation but why does he overlook Kuhn's testimony before HUAC? In August and again in October, 1939, Bundesfuhrer Kuhn proved an unfriendly witness who engaged Committee members in sharp and hostile exchanges.

Mr. Donner asserts but does not prove that HUAC's investigations in the field of education were inspired by the professional anti-Semite Allen A. Zoll, neatly placing former HUAC member Karl Mundt on the Board of Governors of Zoll's defunct National Council For American Education. Mundt did serve on this Board for a brief period withdrawing immediately after press disclosures in New York detailed Zoll's past his-

Mississippi's John Rankin, a one time HUAC member is properly scored for once remarking that publisher I. F. Stone's real name is Isidore Feinstein, but in light of criticism of this type why did Mr. Donner see fit to remind his readers on page 32 that former HUAC Chairman J. Parnell Thomas is really named John Parnell Feehey?

THE UN-AMERICANS is hitting the book stores right on the heels of the bitter nationwide controversy over the showing of the HUAC endorsed film "Operation Abolition." Neither the Committee's critics nor its partisans will gain any substantial ground but the net result will be a deepening of the cleavage on both sides. HUAC's critics will undoubtedly respond emotionally rather than critically and its partisans will quickly seize upon the book's many errors, omissions, distortions and unsubstantiated charges.

Boston GORDON HALL

Unity, Prayer, Peace

To the Editor of The Herald:

It seems incredible that the University of Michigan economist you quoted in the July 15 editorial could be unaware of the answers to his dozen queries on how to bring about world peace and concord among men.

The principles upon which to base the solution to all human problems can be found in the New Testament. There will be world peace when enough men pray for it.

JOSEPH P. HIGGINBOTHAM
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OSI Agent , Bedford, Mass., telephone CR 4 6100, Ext. 3469 requested a name check on captioned individual whom he described as a traveling lecturer and author on anti-hate groups. He said he understands HALL is now in the Boston area. He said one of their people, a government employee, name not given, is tied in with GORDON HALL and if there is anything unfavorable re HALL he would like such information and the matter might be referred to the FBI.

List of file numbers attached. 100-31522 is noted as a main file.

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Mr. Hall Answers Mr. Dresser

There is always a calculated risk involved in responding to questions raised by Robert B. Dresser. Being in a distant city and away on frequent lecture tours, I sometimes do not get to read Mr. Dresser's paid advertisements until weeks after their appearance. Then too I am without funds (and the inclination) to purchase equal newspaper space. At the same time, however, I do have an obligation to my many friends in Providence; thus I do want to answer the questions raised in Mr. Dresser's advertisement dated October 31.

Mr. Dresser asked if I have ever attacked the Communist Party or any Communist-front organizations. Permit me to draw Mr. Dresser's attention to a release prepared by Hollis M. Mosher of Milton, Mass., a former undercover agent for the F.B.I. The release dated January 12, 1957 draws attention to my public exposure of the now defunct Communist - front known as the "Greater Boston Committee To End Police Brutality Towards Minority Groups." I quote Mr. Mosher: "In my five and one-half years as an undercover agent for the F.B.I., this was the only time that a private citizen had successfully exposed and destroyed a Communist-front organization."

Mr. Dresser also inquires if I consider Communists and Communist groups as "ex-

tremists." My attitudes on this were made crystal clear in Lewis Wolfson's May 12 article which began on page one of the Evening Bulletin. It is difficult for me to imagine Mr. Dresser not reading this feature story. Mr. Wolfson told of my World War II debates with some of my fellow GIs enamored of the Soviet system, and in the same piece mention was made of my brief research for the anti-totalitarian Friends of Democracy back in the late 1940s. A part of this research was published in Look Magazine dated March 4, 1947 (years ago) under the heading "How To Identify An American Communist."

Mr. Dresser wonders about my employers. For the record, let me state that I have none, being a free-lance lecturer and writer. My speaking engagements are handled by Lordly & Dame, Inc., a prominent and respected bureau housed in Boston's Little Building on Boylston Street. Endorsements of my work cut across the mainstream of conservative-liberal life in the U.S., and I appear regularly before the most responsible organizations on the American scene. I submit that this is in sharp contrast to Mr. Dresser's identification with groups like the John Birch Society and the U.N.-hating U.S. Day Committee, Inc.

While I have no desire to

prolong this matter, I do want to close with two questions aimed at Robert Dresser. Now that the highest law enforcement official in the U.S. has described the John Birch Society as both a "peril" and a "menace," will Mr. Dresser withdraw from the society's Rhode Island committee of endorsers? Or will he continue further down the path of irresponsibility by declaring that Attorney-General Kennedy is being advised by pro-Communists in the Justice Department?

Gordon D. Hall

Boston, Mass.

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Defends Hall's Intentions

To the Editor of The Herald:

David Farrell's column of Nov. 22, "Molesworth in New Hassle About Young GOP Speaker," has me confused. It seems to me, a lifelong staunch Republican, that Molesworth did the party a real disservice by precipitating this argument. . . . Furthermore he implies a softness toward Communism on the part of Gordon Hall. His accusation that Hall "refused" when asked to discuss only the leftist organizations is misleading. The facts, as stated in the article, indicate that Hall had long since been asked to discuss the rightist organizations, among which are the belligerent Birchers. He had both accepted and prepared this assignment. No ethical speaker would change his subject when placed under pressure to do so.

My purpose in this letter is to dispel the thought that Hall has ever been or is a soft mark for the Communists.

In the years following World War II, he devoted his life to studying, then attacking Communists and communist-front organizations. More recently, now that America is awake to the threat of Communism, he has concentrated on the rightists. It is this group or organization that Hall had been invited by the Greater Boston Young Republican Club to discuss. His

members should be insulted by Molesworth's statement that they are "young, impressionable people and . . . can be seduced."

Gordon Hall once saved me considerable personal and professional embarrassment. At the end of the war I was the Military Government Medical Doctor in Nagasaki directly after the devastation of the bomb. I was invited in the early 50's to lecture about my experiences before a group which called itself the "Minute Women for Peace." At that time I was Chairman of the Framingham Chapter of the United World Federalists.

Being an ardent anti-Communist, I called Hall to ask if he had any derogatory information about the "Minute Women for Peace." To my deep concern, he gave me a frightening run-down of this group and of many of its members. He advised me to call the FBI, who confirmed his information. At their suggestion, I delivered my talk and was fully prepared for the loaded questions which were directed at me.

Only a few days later, the "Minute Women for Peace" appeared on the U.S. Attorney General's list of Communist-front organizations.

HERBERT W. HORNE, JR., M.D.

BOSTON GLOBE, Boston, Mass.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (

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FROM : (LIAISON)

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SUBJECT: Re MINUTE WOMEN FOR PEACE;
GORDON HALL

By telephone 12-1-61 Mrs. , Needham, Mass., made reference to a letter which appeared in the 12-1-61 issue of the Boston Herald, on Page 30, in which one of HALL'S followers claims he called the FBI re the Minute Women for Peace" and the writer of the letter claims this group is subversive and that he had called the FBI which confirmed this.

Mrs. said she did not believe the FBI ever commented on any organization or gave information concerning either organizations or individuals, to individuals making such inquiries.

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ADDENDUM: It is noted the letter to which she refers, appears with a caption: "DEFENDS HALL'S INTENTIONS" and is a letter "To The Editor of the Herald and bears the name HERBERT W. HORNE, JR., M.D., as the author of the letter.

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Scene and Heard at the State House

Molesworth in New Hassle About Young GOP Speaker

By DAVID PARKELL

Boston Herald 23 Nov 62

Jack E. Molesworth of Boston, a controversial figure in Massachusetts GOP circles, has touched off another hassle—this one involving the Greater Boston Young Republican Club.

Molesworth, executive committee member of the club and a member of the GOP State Committee, was one of the signers of a recent letter sent Republican voters in Boston urging them to support a slate of five Democrats for the city council.

Chase Ignored

This action which deliberately ignored the candidacy of Pernie Eyer Chase, only GOP candidate in the council fight, brought a charge from Chase that "there was an unwholesome alliance between Mayor Collins and the Republican State Committee to defeat me."

Chase had attacked the mayor during his unsuccessful campaign for one of the nine council seats.

Although Chase's charges were denied by House Committee Chairman Philip E. Allen, they served to point up the bitterness of the feud between rival factions within the GOP in Boston.

Molesworth's latest row centers around choice of a speaker

for a recent meeting of the Greater Boston Young Republican Club.

The Young Republicans, through Frank Parrish, apparently were in the process of engaging Gordon D. Hall, researcher and lecturer on extremist groups in the United States, to address them last week when Molesworth entered the picture.

Molesworth protested the selection of Hall saying he "wouldn't have a man like Hall come and talk to the Young Republicans without someone to present the other side."

Suggests Debate

"These are young, impressionable people and they can be seduced," Molesworth said. "Our job is to impregnate our members with the Republican philosophy."

Molesworth said he proposed that Hall be allowed to address the group "if he would confine himself to exposes of leftist organizations."

"But he refused. Then I suggested we get someone in the Birch organization to address him but Welch (Robert Welch, president and founder of the controversial movement) said he would not dignify Hall by allowing anyone of the Birch Society on the platform with him."

According to Hall's version of the incident, he received a call from Parrish a few weeks ago asking him to address the Young Republicans on the subject of extremists on the far political right.

He said he told Parrish to contact the agency which books his appearances and manages his lectures. Later that day he was advised by his agents to leave Nov. 13 open for the talk to the GOP organization.

Agreed to Debate

"While the exact dates are now hazy in my mind, I believe I heard from Parrish again a few days later," Hall said.

"He had announced my coming to a group of the executive committee of the GOP Club and Jack Molesworth immediately protested, largely on the grounds that young GOP minds are impressionable and subject to a kind of easy influence."

"Molesworth demanded that the John Birch Society be represented on the same night and thus Parrish called to switch the program from a straight talk to a debate."

Hall said he agreed to debate Welch, Colonel Bunker or even a man named Callahan, also was a member of the Birch Society.

"Attempts were made to get Welch, Bunker and Callahan but none of them wanted any part of the debate," Hall said.

"Finally I was asked to take on Oswald Blumit of the American Institute. I felt that I had been more open minded and decided that Molesworth was simply trying to get anyone on the platform opposite me now that the Birch Society refused to debate."

"I said that Blumit was not an acceptable substitute because of his domestic factors. His refusal to debate me ended matters and I must confess that the fee I was asking was too steep anyway."

"This was the first I heard about the fee being too high and since it was now the Thursday before the Monday morning, I felt I was being jerked around."

Hall said he advised Parrish he felt his right to speak was being severely tampered with when the GOP group went ahead and scheduled Blumit for an appearance in his stead.

Hall concluded his discussion of the controversy with the prediction that Molesworth "will eventually bring great discredit to the Young Republicans."

"Extremists forever hang themselves when given enough rope."

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On 10/18/58, Miss [redacted] telephonically contacted WFO and stated that about a month ago she and GORDON HALL of Boston, Massachusetts, visited the Seaboard White Citizens Council's office, 1047 31st Street, N.W., WDC, and talked to a FLOYD FLEMING.

Miss [redacted], an employee of the American Veteran's Committee, 1830 Jefferson Place, N.W., WDC, stated that she would gladly furnish the results of the conversation to the FBI.

On 10/21/58, SA ELMER LEE TODD interviewed Miss [redacted] who advised that she and Mr. HALL were at the Seaboard office about the 24th of September, 1958. She stated that HALL is State Chairman of the American Veteran's Committee in Massachusetts, and that he makes a living by lecturing on "hate" group throughout the country.

She stated that HALL had seen literature in Boston, Massachusetts, emanating from Seaboard office, and that HALL had written to FLEMING asking to talk to FLEMING about the objectives of the Seaboard Council. Miss [redacted] stated that she asked HALL if she could accompany him during the interview. He agreed to this; however, she stated that she used a fictitious name.

Miss [redacted] stated that FLEMING at times appeared to be very violent and continually used the words "kikes" and "niggers." FLEMING stated that his brother-in-law is [redacted] in Massachusetts, area, and that he forwards material to his brother-in-law who circulates it in the Boston, Massachusetts, area. Miss [redacted] stated that she does not recall the name of the brother-in-law, but she is certain that Mr. HALL would remember the name.

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Miss [] stated that FLEMING stated an [] of NBC, Washington, D.C., had given \$18,000 to Seaboard, and that FLEMING himself had donated \$3,800 to the Seaboard cause.

FLEMING was described by Miss [] as a convincing talker who continually stressed that money and the circulation of literature was where the biggest problems confronting the Seaboard lie today. FLEMING also mentioned a man in Arlington, Virginia, who worked with Seaboard, and Miss [] stated that HALL mentioned later that this individual was a long-time fascist. Miss [] could only recall that this individual was in the lumber business in Arlington County, Virginia. FLEMING talked quite a bit on the picketing on the White House by the Seaboard in the Fall of 1957, and he even showed Miss [] and Mr. HALL some of the placards which they used at that time. FLEMING said that if Seaboard could only let the people know the truth about "kikes" and "niggers," the people would then understand the grave situation facing the country in the South.

Miss [] stated that Mr. HALL at one time worked for GERALD L. K. SMITH, and that he has written books on "hate" organizations which have been printed by Beacon Press. She stated that Mr. HALL took quite a few notes during the conversation, and that he could furnish the FBI complete details of the conversation.

Boston is referred to the memo of SA ELMER LEE TODD to the SAC, WFO, dated 9/26/58, captioned "White Citizens Councils, IS - X," a copy of which was forwarded to the Boston Office, in which [] furnished information concerning a man named HALL and a woman named [] who visited the Seaboard office on 9/17/58.

Boston is also referred to the memo of SA TODD to the SAC, WFO dated 10/3/58, in the same caption, a copy of which was forwarded to the Boston Office, in which [] furnished the name and address of G. D. HALL, 102 Gainsborough, Boston 15, Massachusetts, as the HALL who had visited the Seaboard office.

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Boston is also referred to Bureau airtel to all offices dated 10/16/58, captioned "Bombings and Attempted Bombings in Southern Communities, Racial Matters." This airtel instructed that an intensive investigation be launched of "hate" groups, including the White Citizens Council of the District of Columbia.

Boston is requested to search its indices for any information which would preclude the interviewing of Mr. HALL. In the absence of such information, Boston is requested to interview Mr. HALL to obtain his comments and observations concerning the interview he and Miss [redacted] had at the Seaboard office. Boston should specifically attempt to ascertain the name of the individual in Arlington, Va., who is in the lumber business as well as the name of the [redacted] who is circulating Seaboard literature in the Boston area.

*Re: Let to WFO, 12/1/58, (100-3287-21) stated
It was not deemed advisable to
interview HALL.*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-31522*)

DATE: 4/3/61

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FROM : [REDACTED], Liaison

SUBJECT: GORDON HALL
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On 3/31/61, Mrs. [REDACTED], Boston, Mass., telephonically contacted this office to advise that a Mr. GORDON HALL, who claimed to be a member of the Arlington St. Unitarian Church, Boston, (which is the church she belongs to), came to her house about a week ago at about 9:30 p.m. to warn her about her oldest son's membership in the AMERICAN NAZI PARTY. She identified this son as [REDACTED], Boston.

She stated that HALL claimed that four letters between her son and ROCKWELL had been intercepted by the FBI and the State Police and that the FBI and the State Police were watching [REDACTED] because of his ROCKWELL connection. She stated that he claimed to be working along with the FBI and the State Police in this matter. He also made this statement in the presence of her son [REDACTED].

HALL prevailed upon Mrs. [REDACTED] to accompany him to her son's apartment on [REDACTED], while he interviewed the son. They arrived at her son's apartment around midnight and her son, although he spoke to them, he refused to admit them to his apartment or to talk to Mr. HALL in HALL's car. When confronted about the intercepted letters the son denied having sent them, saying he had only sent one as a joke.

HALL has since then questioned both Mrs. [REDACTED] and her son re their knowledge of the AMERICAN NAZI PARTY. Her son, whom she evidently is not very close to, has called her and has referred to HALL in very obscene terms in addition to classifying him as a "jerk writer". Mrs. [REDACTED] advised that HALL resides at 102 Gainsboro St., Boston, with his wife and family.

Boston Indices reflect 100-31522* re GORDON HALL;
Boston Indices negative re [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-31522) ATT: SA [redacted]

DATE: February 9, 1962

FROM : [redacted], Correlator

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SUBJECT: GORDON DANIEL HALL, aka G. D. Hall,
G. D. Hill, Gordon Walker

Born: 1921

Res: 102 Gainsboro Street
Boston, Massachusetts

*222 Marlboro St
Boston, Mass*

This correlation memo consists of a review of all the references indicated on the attached FD-160, in accordance with instructions of Relief Supv. [redacted] Security Squad.

The following references were reviewed and determined to be IDENTICAL with the captioned individual:

94-629*

This is a 14-serial file entitled GORDON D. HALL, 102 Gainsborough Street, Boston 15, Massachusetts; RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS), opened June 1961.

This file points out several instances wherein HALL in speeches and newspaper articles has intimated he has been endorsed by the Director and/or the FBI. Bureau instructed that HALL be severely admonished and told to cease and desist from continually conveying the impression in his appearances that he has the endorsement of the FBI.

100-1424-882

Newspaper clipping from the PROVIDENCE EVENING BULLETIN, Providence, R.I., 4/21/61 captioned NAACP Sessions Planned in Newport

Gordon Hall, expert on extreme right wing groups, will be guest speaker tonight at the opening of the 23rd annual New England Regional Conference of the NAACP at the Hotel Viking in Newport. The conference will continue through Sunday .

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100-32646-2 WFO memo of SA ELMER LEE TODD, 9/26/48, re
(Now 105-3287-9) WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS; IS - X

Inf. [] furnished a written report to SA ELMER LEE TODD on 9/19/58 (located in WFO []).

This report, dated Sept. 18, 1958, began as follows: "Floyd Fleming asked the []'s yesterday to come to the Seaboard offices and meet a man named Hall from Boston, who was staying at the Hamilton Hotel.

With Hall was a woman named [], who said that she lived in []. She said that she was from Oregon, and had been living in the District for two years, and that she knew nothing much about the situation. These two people appeared to be extremely naive about the race situation. Hall is supposed to have been writing Fleming for the last year and a half. The pair let Fleming do most of the talking, and talked to the []'s quite a bit . . ."

(Note: FLOYD FLEMING is identified on serial 8 as the executive secretary of the Seaboard White Citizens Councils.)

100-32646-3 WFO memo of SA ELMER LEE TODD, 10/3/58, re
(Now 105-3287-10) WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS; IS - X

On 9/26/58 SA HARMON J. OGREN received a written report from [], which report was dated Sept. 22, 1958. In the report the informant noted that FLOYD FLEMING (executive secretary of the Seaboard White Citizens Councils) had also received a letter from G. D. HALL, 102 Gainsborough, Boston 15, Mass. This is the man that was here last week. HALL asked about a Mrs. [] that FLEMING had told him to contact, and said that she acted cold to him. He wants to know if the woman really knows KASPER and the group. The letter appeared to be pretty nousey.

100-32646-4 WFO letter to Boston, 10/24/58, re WHITE
(Now 105-3287-11) CITIZENS COUNCILS; IS - X

Since HALL's name is mentioned on all three pages of this WFO letter and there are two copies of this in file, one copy has been removed and placed in instant file as 100-31522-33.

WFO in its letter of 10/24/58 requested Boston to search its indices for any information which would preclude the interviewing of GORDON HALL.

Boston's letter to WFO, 12/17/58 (105-3287-24) set out in part certain information contained in Boston's file on HALL and concluded by stating Boston did not deem it advisable to interview HALL.

157-32-96

Memo of [redacted] (Liaison), 3/21/61, re
AMERICAN NAZI PARTY; Movie "OPERATION ABOLITION"

Mr. [redacted], Newburyport, Mass., said telephonically 3/21/61 . . . that the Unitarian Church on 3/27/61 was also putting on a talk by GORDON HALL, a free-lance journalist, and the local paper had just received a telegram from LINCOLN ROCKWELL stating he was going to be there.

[redacted] further said GORDON HALL was scheduled to appear the evening of April 3 (1961) at the high school to talk to a class of high school seniors on contemporary problems . . .

157-32-108

Newspaper clipping from the NEWBURYPORT DAILY TIMES, 3/22/61, captioned "Gordon Hall, Hate Detective, Fashions Unique Career"

This article began: Gordon Hall, noted authority on "hate" groups, is no stranger to controversy and has had a full share of threatening phone calls and shattered windows during a 15 year career of investigation and lectures.

Hall, scheduled to speak at the Unitarian Parish hall the evening of March 27, and before the high school public affairs course April 3, is reported to have the largest collection in the country of "hate" literature from both the extremes right and left.

A closet in a Gainsborough street apartment in Boston's Back Bay contains the voluminous material collected by the man who has made a career of lecturing, learning and writing about America's so-called extremist groups.

With the announcement that Nazi Party leader George Lincoln Rockwell intends to attend his Unitarian lecture here, Hall accepted the news philosophically and called it "very interesting."

According to Hall, the extremist groups can be lumped into political, religious or civil rights categories. In the latter two categories the recent election of Roman Catholic John F. Kennedy and the Supreme Court integration decision have given birth to many new extremist groups and spurred production of more literature.

Hall estimates that there are about 1,000 extremist groups currently operating in the country and their publications and literature reach about 3,500,000 persons. The lecturer stated that like most people, he believes that most persons involved in these types of groups are sincere, but misguided, and filled with misinformation.

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The 39-year-old Hall gives about 150 lectures annually and is consistently consulted by groups, newspapers and various authorities in his attempts to inform the misinformed. Keeping up with the hate business is a full time job and Hall receives about 100 letters per week -- some asking questions, and some giving replies to queries from Hall.

Becoming the country's foremost authority on extremist groups has not been easy. His windows have been shattered and he has received hundreds of threatening phone calls. Once a bomb threat broke up a scheduled talk at a Methodist church in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Among his successes is an appearance on the Dave Garroway TV show.

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

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Gordon D. Hall

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Gordon Daniel Hall

Aliases

Gordon Walker, H. D. Hall, G. D. Hill

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102 Hainsboro St., Boston

Birth Date

1921

Birthplace

Race

Sex

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☐ Female

☐ Exact Spelling

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(12-61) Gordon William Hall

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5'4" 130 lbs.
Brown hair and eyes

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-31522*)

DATE: 2-5-62

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FROM : [REDACTED] (LIAISON)

SUBJECT: GORDON HALL.

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By telephone 2-5-62, [REDACTED], Newburyport High School, Newburyport, Mass., stated he received this morning a telegram which was signed GORDON HALL, and which was sent from Cambridge, Mass. [REDACTED] said the school has a course for senior students, in which the school invites lecturers to talk to the students in the evening and have had congressmen etc., and had also had GORDON HALL, "apparently a journalist or lecturer who is interested in the 'hate movements' in the country." After HALL had spoken they received a couple of telegrams stating they were inviting communists.

[REDACTED] said the telegram signed by GORDON HALL which had been received this morning read as follows:

"HAVE SOME OPEN DATES IN LATE FEBRUARY AND EARLY MARCH. CAN YOU FILL ME IN AT THE HIGH SCHOOL. NOBODY WILL KNOW UNTIL ITS TOO LATE. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] WILL TAKE CARE OF ADVANCE PUBLICITY AFTER ENGAGEMENT IS CONFIRMED. MR. [REDACTED] WILL ARRANGE FAVORABLE COVERAGE WITH DAILY NEWS. LOCAL B/NAI BIRTH WILL PROMOTE TICKET SALES. HOPE FOR A FAVORABLE ANSWER. THE ADL CAN TAKE CARE OF ANY OPPOSITION WHICH MIGHT ARRISE. DONT WORRY ABOUT SCHOOL COMMITTEE. YOUR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN THIS MATTER WILL ASSURE NOMINATION FOR THE ANNUAL BROTHERHOOD AWARD OF THE JWV. REGARDS FROM ALL THE BOYS AND THE WORKERS. GORDON M HALL"

In addition to the above [REDACTED] said he had received a printed flier advertising GORDON HALL. He said this flier bore the name Lordley & Dame, Inc., 80 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass., but was not received from them. He said he did not have the envelope in which it was sent but thought it may have come from Unitarian Friendship.

[REDACTED] said he was calling particular attention to the flier mentioned above because, although it was printed, there had been typed on it the following:

"In addition Mr. HALL is an accredited spokesman of the FBI and exposes both the lunatic right and the traitorous left. Progressive school principals will appreciate his reduced fee of \$25.00 which was done as a sacrifice in

" the interest of public service to our youth. Promote sensible patriotism by confirming at once an engagement of this democratic speaker."

Mr. [] said he would mail to this office, a photostat of the telegram and the flier referred to herein.

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- "Patriotism On the Extreme Right"

- "The Hate-Your-Neighbor Campaign In the U. S."

- "Beware the Loaded Appeal" In addition:

an "ACCREDITED SPOKESMAN" of the FBI and both the "LUNATIC RIGHT" and "LUNATIC LEFT". PROGRESSIVE school principals will receive a reduced fee of \$25.00 which will be used in the interests of public education. Promote "SENSIBLE PATRIOTISM" and an engagement of this DEMOCRATIC

The continuing campaigns of organized extremist movements

is one of the calculated risks and burdens of a free society.

How to lessen this burden and risk within a framework of a

free society is at the core of GORDON HALL'S lecture and exhibits.

Well financed, and often boasting distinguished sponsors and impressive titles, these organized movements carry on programs of racial and religious hatred, confusion, and discord. Like the Communists whom they claim to be fighting, their real purposes are often hidden behind a smokescreen of noble words.

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Veteran of thirty-one months in the Pacific Theatre and the Aleutian Islands campaign, Mr. Hall has been engaged in full time writing and research since the end of 1946. A speaker of national reputation, his audiences have included Rotary and Kiwanis, lodges, men's and women's clubs, high school, college and university assemblies, church and temple groups, and he has made frequent appearances on national radio and television.



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speaker.

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W. F. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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Newburyport High School

Newburyport, Mass.



February 6, 1962.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
470 Atlantic Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts

Attention: Mr. 

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are photocopies of the telegram I received yesterday morning. I am also enclosing a photocopy of an advertising flyer I received sometime ago. I discarded the envelope which was marked "Unitarian Friendship League!"

Since there have been other similar occurrences here, I am naturally concerned about this matter and I hope you will be able to do something about it.

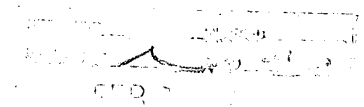
Yours truly,



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February 8, 1962

Mr. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Newburyport High School
Newburyport, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]:

Your communication of February 6, 1962, with enclosures, has been received. Your interest in forwarding this material is indeed appreciated.

Yours truly,

L. L. Laughlin
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 11-29-62

FROM : [REDACTED] (LIAISON)

SUBJECT: GORDON HALL

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On 11-28-62, [REDACTED], employed with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Boston, Mass., (LI 2 3720) said
he is [REDACTED] for the Publicity Club of Boston,
meeting that day at Nick's Restaurant, 100 Warrenton St.,
Boston, Mass., and the speaker, GORDON HALL, had been
"foisted on him" by [REDACTED] of the club.

[REDACTED] said he had received some news clippings
through the mail, which indicated HALL was not all he was
cracked up to be, and he therefore desired information con-
cerning GORDON HALL.

[REDACTED] was informed the FBI is strictly an
investigative agency and information in FBI files is
confidential and available for official use only; that
the FBI makes no evaluations or recommendations regarding
the character, integrity of any organization, individual or
publication and that inability to further comment is not
to be interpreted as implying the FBI does, or does not
have information in file concerning his inquiry.

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In a documented statement issued last week by Frank A. Capell, editor of the New York bi-weekly, *Herald Of Freedom*, American patriots are warned not to give credence to a newly-formed organization calling itself "National Committee To Clear The Name Of Senator Joseph McCarthy."

The text of Mr. Capell's warning follows:

A new organization calling itself "National Committee To Clear The Name Of Senator Joseph McCarthy," 175 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y., Room 1101, has been formed and is seeking sponsors.

An undercover man infiltrated into the American Nazi Party of George Lincoln Rockwell has advised the details of this plot which has been set up at the direction of Rockwell and is a "front."

They are using a mail and telephone service operated by the AAA Telephone and Mail Service, Inc., Telephone: ORegon 7-2200. Letters have been sent to prominent people asking them to be sponsors. The letters are signed by Dr. A. S. Larson.

Dr. Alan S. Larson of 1845 West Tenth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., Telephone: MI. 9-4438, was a member of an anti-Communist group in Brooklyn earlier this year until they dropped him. He admitted having attended meetings of the American Nazi Party. He also stated he had lectured at the Overseas Press Club. The head of this club is James Humphrey Sheldon.

On April 21st, 1948, Congressman Ralph Church on the floor of Congress called James Sheldon an agent of the legal arm of the Communist Party. Sheldon was in Poland on August 25th, 1948, with the World Congress of Intellectuals, a cited front, and was active in the American League Against War and Fascism.

Rockwell is unable to come to New York, as there is a warrant out for his arrest. His aide, Seth David Ryan, was observed meeting with Gordon Hall at the Hotel Lexington, New York City, this Spring.

Seth David Ryan is treasurer of the American Nazi Party, is an atheist, and has a police record. He was in New York on Sunday, December 15th, 1962, and while here visited the offices of the Anti-Christ Freethinkers of America. This group protested to Postmaster General Day against the use of a religious stamp for the Christmas season and were assured it would not be used.

Gordon Hall of 222 Marlboro Street, Boston, Mass., who met with Nazi Ryan, is well known as an anti-anti-Communist, who was active in the Anti-Nazi League although he is reported as having

distributed anti-Semitic literature personally.

Gordon Hall and Charles R. Allen Jr. plotted to use the Anamist Party (later to be called the National Renaissance Party) to smear Senator Joseph McCarthy and other anti-Communists. Co-conspirator in this and one of its financial backers was Vladimir Stepankowsky who has been identified as a Soviet agent.

The National Renaissance Party which worked so hard to smear Senator McCarthy is headed by James Madole. It was aided financially by James Sheldon. One of their agents was Mana Truhill who used many aliases. He had studied at the Communist Jefferson School of Social Science. Sheldon while head of the Anti-Nazi League actually helped finance Nazi activities. Truhill outfitted young men with brown shirts, Nazi armbands, daggers and swastika pins. They gave out anti-Semitic literature and held a series of meetings billed as "Patriots for McCarthy."

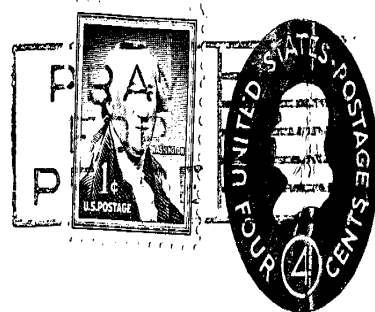
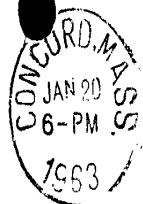
The *Herald Of Freedom* exposed this conspiracy in its December 7th, 1962, issue before the letters were sent out. George Lincoln Rockwell lives at 928 North Randolph Street, Arlington, Va., with about a dozen of his followers. He poses as an ardent Nazi, Jew and Negro hater, but actually is specializing in trying to discredit anti-Communist organizations and individuals.

John Patsolos, alias Patter, is head of a small hate group called the American National Party. He puts out a publication called *Kill* in which he advocates murdering Negroes. He used to be the editor of Rockwell's American Nazi Party bulletin. This hate merchant also claims to be an anti-Communist attempting to discredit dedicated Americans who are fighting Communism.

The pro-Communist magazine, *The Nation*, called Senator McCarthy anti-Semitic. Its editor had been Charles Allen Jr., who used to work with Gordon Hall. He had previously been a chauffeur for James Madole, head of the National Renaissance Party.

Rockwell, an atheist, specializes in smearing anti-Communists and getting them called anti-Semitic, Nazi, racist, etc., to make them ineffective.

For years and years there has been a continuous campaign, sponsored by the Communist conspiracy, to discredit all anti-Communist groups. Aiding in this campaign have been the agents-provocateur, posing as anti-Communists and stirring up hatreds but trying to destroy the genuine anti-Communists. Patriots should remember all the names listed in this article. — (FRANK A. CAPELL, Editor, *Herald Of Freedom*, Box 333, St. George, Staten Island 1, N. Y.)



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FROM : [REDACTED] (LIAISON)

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SUBJECT: GORDON HALL

By telephone Mrs. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Mass., (VI 3 3341) said her husband is a good friend of GORDON HALL and that HALL had requested her husband to send out letters of inquiry for him, to various groups one being the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, requesting information concerning such groups, using Mr. [REDACTED]'S residence as a mailing address, and any information received as result of such inquiries would be furnished to HALL.

Mrs. [REDACTED] said she desired this information to be on record, that any inquiries which might be made, were for GORDON HALL.

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Hall, Critics Heckle It Out

By CHRISTOPHER LYDON

Gordon Hall, longtime student and public scourge of political extremist groups, had his evening in court before the Greater Boston Young Republican Club Monday night.

Striking hard at the conservative Young Americans for Freedom in the club, who had led the move to withdraw his invitation to speak, Hall reiterated his charge that they work in collaboration with the John Birch Society and are an "extremist group."

Laughter and applause from the standing-room-only crowd at the club's 3 Joy st. headquarters cheered Hall on, but the Y.A.F. members fought back to the end and finally left the meeting threatening to sue Hall for slander against their organization.

Hall had been asked last month to address the club after a 10-to-4 majority of the club's executive committee supported the invitation.

The minority in that vote, all members of Y.A.F., had protested to Republican State Committee Chairman Frederick C. Dumaine that Hall was an inappropriate speaker because he is a registered Democrat.

But even after Dumaine threatened to withdraw the club's charter if it did not rescind the invitation, the executive committee upheld the invitation.

Hall last night gave his answer to the club squabble.

"If you want to find the real reason for the furor over my speaking here, look into the open, working relationship between the John Birch Society and the Young Americans for Freedom," he said. "All the rest of the objection is a smokescreen."

Hall has continually denounced the Birch Society. He claimed last night that at least 15 members of Y.A.F.'s national advisory committee are Birch Society members and that the two organizations have cooperated in organizing rallies and meetings in Boston.

When Hall was challenged to name these members of both the Birch Society and Y.A.F.'s advisory group, he produced a list.

Another questioner asked how he could label all of these persons as extremists, when several of them were politicians within the Republican Party.

Hall replied with a smile that this should indeed be a matter for the party's concern. "But oddly enough," he added, "the Y.A.F. members who opposed my speaking here because I am a registered Democrat have never opposed the John Birch Society, which has called former President Eisenhower a Communist and have sworn to impeach our Republican Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Earl Warren."

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Cuba Isn't BU's Isle of Yule Joy

(By WARREN WALWORTH)—Boston University students were given a stern official warning last night that their Christmas vacation activities better not include a trip to Cuba. In a special statement prepared for publication in the BU News, undergraduate weekly newspaper, Dean of Students Staton R. Curtis

cautioned that "severe criminal penalties" could befall anyone violating a U. S. State Dept. ban on travel to Castro's island.

Dean Curtis said he was acting in the wake of reports reaching university officials that students on several campuses in the Greater Boston area were being approached to make a Cuban junket during the year-end holidays.

RECRUITING DRIVE

Only last week it was reported that an all-out secret recruiting drive was underway throughout New England to enlist college students in a free excursion to Cuba sometime next year as guests of Castro's Communist regime.

Dean Curtis' specific admonition against a Christmas trip indicates fomenters of the Cuban travel campaign may have decided to advance their schedule rather than wait until 1964 when it was hoped some 500 persons would participate.

The dean said he had checked with the State Dept.'s Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs and found that travel to Cuba is unlawful without a special passport. His statement added:

"I have been told that, 'Anyone traveling to Cuba in violation of this restriction may be subject to severe criminal penalties.'"

ASKED BY STATE DEPT.

Dean Curtis declared the State Dept. had asked him to make sure the message got through in no uncertain terms to members of the student body, faculty and staff.

Existence of an intensive drive to "bury the (travel) ban" was first disclosed by Gordon Hall of Boston, a freelance foe of bigotry and subversion. Hall said his agents had found the movement "in a real state of ferment around Harvard, Brandeis, BU and Northeastern."

The excursion apparently is designed as a followup to a defiant journey to Cuba last summer by 59 American students.

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Nantucket, Mass.

Feb. 18, 1964

Federal Bureau of Investigation

470 Atlantic Ave.

Boston, Mass.

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Dear Sir:

As a citizen interested in preserving our country and government, and, as a member of [redacted] [redacted] concerned with the brain-washing our children are and might be exposed to, I am writing you for any assistance you might give me.

One Gordon Hall is scheduled to lecture here on February 28. It is my understanding that he attacks just about any organization which represents true Americanism - such as the American Legion and the F. B. I. Do you have any records to show this to be true? If so, do you have any material which you might send me or a statement relative to this man and what he represents?

Very truly yours
[redacted]

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470 Atlantic Avenue
Boston 10, Massachusetts
February 24, 1964

[Redacted]
Nantucket, Massachusetts

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Dear [Redacted]:

Your letter dated February 18, 1964 has been received, and the interest which prompted your communication is indeed appreciated.

While I would like to be of assistance, the function of the FBI as a fact-gathering agency does not extend to furnishing evaluations or comments concerning the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication.

I hope that you will understand the reasons for the above and will not infer from my inability to be of assistance either that we do or that we do not have the information you desire.

Very truly yours,

James L. Handley
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"Sunday, Nov. 22, 1964 - A meeting of the Jewish People's Forum was held at the Town and Country Club, Morton and Wellington Hill streets in Dorchester at which Gus Hall was the speaker.

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"Gus Hall said he had recently returned from Hawaii and while there had spoken to a large group of students at the University of Hawaii.

"Hall said that the election showed a difference in the grass roots of the American voters. He said that there was independent action by the people at the polls and this took all forms of issues.

"He said that we still have a danger in Vietnam - that there is a danger to world peace.

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"[] took the floor and spoke. She said that on Dec. 7 at 10 AM at the Federal Building in Boston four people would have to appear at a hearing because of failure to register as communists under the McCarran Act.

"[] said that as many people as possible should attend this hearing and also money would be needed for defense

"[] asked a question as to whether the position on elections of the Communist Party had not been wrong because they did not call for a boycott of the elections.

"Gus Hall said that he is frequently asked questions by ignorant reporters and they always ask questions like []'s.

"Hall said that the Communist Party three years ago signalled the growth of Fascism in the United States and then at the Republican Party convention at the cow palace the ultra-right took over.

"He said the Communist Party called for a repudiation of the ultra-right and the broadest coalition against the ultra-right.

"Hall said that those calling for a boycott of elections were playing into the hands of the ultra-right and this was no time for a boycott.

"A person asked if they were building capitalism in the Soviet Union and Hall said that they had nothing but Socialism in the Soviet Union."

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On 2/28/65, JOHN ALI, National Secretary of the Nation of Islam (NOI) and AUBREY BARNETTE, former NOI member from Boston, Massachusetts, were among the guests appearing on "Kup's Show", a TV panel type discussion televised on tape from Chicago over WBKB-TV from approximately 12:15 AM to 3:00 AM. IRVING KUPCINET, Chicago newspaper columnist and TV moderator conducts the show.

This show was taped by SE [] and SA [] the tapes were transcribed by Stenographer [].

The following is a transcript of the program insofar as the NOI, JOHN ALI and AUBREY BARNETTE are concerned.

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These persons and remarks regarding the NOI were on the first part of the show only. The information adds nothing more to what has already been reported regarding the NOI and pertinent parts can be readily utilized in annual or semi-annual reports. It is therefore not being put in letterhead memorandum form and is being furnished for the Bureau and interested offices:

The following is the transcript:

KUP'S SHOW - FEBRUARY 27, 1965

KUP:

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen and welcome to another session of conversations unlimited on Kup's Show. Tonight, because the Black Muslims are holding their National Convention in Chicago, we thought in keeping with our efforts to be on top of the news and to present all sides of the question that we would have various representatives for the Black Muslims, against the Black Muslims, and perhaps one or two who are neutral. Let's meet our guests now. First, this is AUBREY BARNETTE of Boston, former member of the Muslims, whose article, "The Black Muslims Are A Fraud" appears in the current issue of the Saturday Evening Post. Mr. BARNETTE flew here from Boston and appears in the studio today under police protection. Next is GORDON HALL, one of America's leading authorities on the extremists of both the left and the right. He's a one-man organization. From the great State of Missouri, this is Congressman RICHARD BOLLING, Democrat, who suggests methods for speeding up the legislative process in our Congress in his new book, "House Out of Order". Next is

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Dr. C. ERIC LINCOLN, Social Philosopher, currently at Brown University. He is the author of the definitive study called The Black Muslims in America. His newest book is "My Face is Black". And this is JOHN ALI, National Secretary of the Black Muslims and head of their school here. I'm IRV KUPCINET of the "Chicago Sun-Times", your moderator, and we'll join our lively group right after this message.

COMMERCIAL

KUP:

Gentlemen, I'd like to get right to the point. AUBREY here, whom we have introduced already as a young man from Boston, has written an article in the Saturday Evening Post in which he says the Black Muslims are a fraud. He appears here, as we have announced, under police protection. He suffered a terrible beating in Boston and won a court case as a result of the beating. A number of bones were fractured and other injuries, right, AUBREY?

AUBREY:

Yes.

KUP:

Why do you think the Black Muslims are a fraud?

AUBREY:

I'd say the Black Muslims are a fraud because they have deceived the public. They have tricked their members and they are not carrying out any of the programs that they have projected.

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KUP:

Can you tell us what, more specifically, the programs they have claimed to --

AUBREY:

Yes. Well, one of the reasons why I joined the Black Muslim movement was because I thought it was an organization that stood for a lot of ideals that I could uphold. And this was the idea of moral uplifting. I thought they had a program for improving the moral climate in the Negro community, a program for reforming juvenile delinquents and for preventing dope addiction and so forth. I thought that they had a program of economic upliftment. I thought they had an educational program and after being in the movement for some time, I finally left the movement in disgust because the Muslims, while they publicly pronounced they had these programs, they had never put them into practice and it is my conclusion now that they don't intend to put them into practice.

KUP:

Now, after you announced that you were leaving the Black Muslims or the Mosque in Boston, Mosque Number 11, this is when you suffered that beating which you attributed to your defection?

AUBREY:

No. I had left the Mosque in 1963, in November of 1963, and I didn't suffer this beating until about a year later. I thought that I could forget about the Muslims, the Black Muslim Movement

and I had put them aside and had returned to the outside world of reality, had gone to work in a bank as an auditor. I finally decided I would take advantage of my college training. I went back, I left the organization and went to work in the outside world. And I thought I could forget about the Black Muslims but I soon found in August of 1964 that I couldn't forget them because they didn't forget me.

KUP:

JOHN, this is a sort of a direct attack, a frontal attack I might say on the organization you represent as National Secretary.

JOHN:

Well, one of the first things that I'd like to say. Well, we've been well acquainted for 34 years with different people in America making attacks on Mr. MUHAMMAD and the original Islam. First, I'd like to bring this clear to you and which I'm quite sure you are aware of - the principle of religion which is allowed or protected by the Constitution. And a person has a right to practice any religion they wish. And so it is with us. I mean this is, you might say, a sort of a hypocrisy of this subject occurring on your show because you don't find this type of discussion concerning religious activity anywhere in America except for relation to the Muslims who follow the Honorable

ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. A person has the prerogative to worship anything as their religion. If they want to say that this cup is their religion (picks up cup), that is between them and the person who will go along with it. And it is no one's prerogative to say it is or is not a religion. This is guaranteed by the Constitution. And in this case we had the original Islam which has been taught by the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD in this country for the past 34 years. And he is the man of God and if we're wrong then it's between us and our Maker. It is no one's prerogative to classify us or to say we are approved of by any society or by any other group of people.

And we're not seeking it and we don't ask for it.

KUP:

That wasn't AUBREY's point.

JOHN:

Well, I'm saying that BARNETTE here who alleged to have been with us. I mean, we can understand the article in the Saturday Evening Post. We know the reputation of the Saturday Evening Post as a very reckless magazine because they have several suits against them now for libel and slander. In fact, even the subjects that he says on your show are subjects to inspection by attorney because we have an attorney here who is in for this purpose. And the Saturday Evening Post has a reputation for slander. In fact, -

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KUP: I gather you put your threat in there very slyly, right?

JOHN: One of the biggest awards ever made against a publication has been against the Saturday Evening Post, which is also a magazine which is beset with mismanagement and loss of advertising review and -

KUP: I am not going to defend or knock down the Saturday Evening Post -

JOHN: All this is in connection with understanding the source that is behind this man doing this, because he is a paid man. He was paid for this article in collaboration with someone else and we are very much acquainted with Quislings and how they get their due and so naturally the history of this must be taken into account, too, when you discuss this article on your show because you mentioned the Saturday Evening Post, which right now, this magazine is suffering the loss of advertising revenue and also circulation and a shakeup on their board of management and stockholders fight and everything else. And they are doing everything they can to create attention towards the magazine in gaining circulation. And they are notorious for even printing untruths in order to gain circulation.

KUP: But the man who wrote the article is right here. Let me repeat, the Saturday Evening Post is not on trial here. He wrote the article. He lived through this experience. You should answer his questions. -

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JOHN:

The article states that he wrote the article in collaboration with someone else. I mean this is - the Saturday Evening Post is not a magazine of fact but is a magazine of fiction. This is the reputation of the magazine. They have had more serial, more document, more theater and plays written from their stories of fiction, like this, than any other publication in the country. And Mr. BARNETTE, we might say, suffers from a figment of imagination.

AUBREY:

Well I certainly have everything, every bit of evidence to document everything I've said in this -

JOHN:

Well, if you have any evidence of anything or fraud of anything, then you present it to the court.

AUBREY:

I have documents to back up every statement that I have made.

JOHN:

Any evidence that you have. - And when you call somebody a fraud, I mean, first you are a college student, and you cite your reputation for -

AUBREY:

The public -

KUP:

Please, one at a time. Let JOHN finish.

JOHN:

And you cite your reputation for being an educated man and you have evidence, evidence which should be presented in courts. If you have evidence of anything of being a fraud, you should present this thing in a court and not going around by making reckless accusations as you have done and are still doing.

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AUBREY:

I am submitting my claims to a court of public opinion.

JOHN:

Because you have none. What do you call is a fraud? What do you say is a fraud? Name one thing.

AUBREY:

Each program that has been projected is a fraud.

JOHN:

Name one program. Name one!

AUBREY:

The economic program.

JOHN:

Name one. What economic program?

AUBREY:

The economic program. The \$3,000,000 Islamic Center.

JOHN:

What about it?

AUBREY:

It hasn't been built.

JOHN:

All right. Then what about it? What is a fraud about it?

AUBREY:

It is a fraud because the money was collected for one purpose, and the purpose the money was collected for, the money was never used for that purpose.

JOHN:

Now that is where I won't say that you are a liar because I'll ruin this show, and I'm much too intelligent for that but I'll say as LINCOLN told one of his generals that you be reckless with the truth. But I'll say this, the economic - The three programs that was announced by Mr. MUHAMMAD. Do you know what some of the money was raised for and as I wrote in the paper about this program, this program -

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AUBREY: Wait a minute. Please, please.
Now -

JOHN: You said \$3,000,000.

AUBREY: The \$3,000,000 program.

JOHN: There was never no \$3,000,000
program. First you have your
facts mixed. There was a
\$20,000,000 program which
we announced.

AUBREY: The Islamic Center program.

JOHN: Is a \$20,000,000 program.
And your reputation for keeping
up to date on things was never
very accurate anyway but when
you mention about a \$3,000,000
program first you mention something
which does not exist. There never
was a \$3,000,000 program.

AUBREY: I completely agree with that -

JOHN: There was a \$20,000,000 program
which was announced by Mr. MUHAMMAD
and funds -

KUP: Let me clear up one point, JOHN,
on the program. In your article
you say that this was a \$20,000,000
educational program. \$3,000,000
was raised and never spent.

AUBREY: Right.

KUP: That is what the problem was -

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JOHN: He doesn't know anything about this. This is a lie. I say he doesn't have any facts for this and the fact, Mr. BARNETTE. We have a warrant out for him now in Boston for misappropriation of funds.

KUP: Were you familiar with that, AUBREY?

AUBREY: No, sir. This is a quite new and reckless charge -

JOHN: It is not reckless.

AUBREY: - didn't even swear a warrant out.

JOHN: Listen, he was in the organization and this is one of the reasons why he defected from the group because misusing funds and things.

AUBREY: I left the organization sometime -

JOHN: This is one thing he had never stated. I mean, when you write your article why you left, you should -

AUBREY: It took them some time to figure I had misappropriated some funds, when I left the organization in 1963. This is 1965. And you just getting your warrant out? Sounds like a trumped-up charge to me.

JOHN: Another trumped-up article, I mean, are you just writing this article now? You haven't listed one thing as a fraud. What is a fraud?

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AUBREY: The entire program is a fraud.

JOHN: Now what is a fraud? What program?

AUBREY: Well, take the program step by step.

JOHN: I'll take it step by step.

AUBREY: Well, take a look -

JOHN: It's on the back page of "Muhammad Speaks" newspaper.

AUBREY: Right. We're for the war of freedoms.

JOHN: Right.

KUP: I'd like to recite once again that I wish one at a time would speak. GORDON, you wanted to get a word in edgewise.

GORDON: I want to make the point that since this gentleman makes a big issue of the courts and your attorney being here, which is an old gambit I might add, talking business of getting into a squabble like this and they want you to know somebody's listening and therefore you're not supposed to say anything. You know if the courts and the attorneys and all the rest are involved, why don't you take this gentleman to court since the Saturday Evening Post -

JOHN: I mean, one -

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GORDON:

Let me finish. If he is allegedly so reckless, take him to court and prove that his charge that you people are a fraud, which I would completely endorse having studied the Muslims myself. Why don't you take him to court and have the courts decide in the United States whether what he said is true or false. You make a big issue of all this business of attorneys and all of that -

JOHN:

Well, like I said again, one -

GORDON:

And when this warrant, by the way -

JOHN:

One thing not concerning you at all is our religion and you have no right to tell me how I should act in my religion. I mean, whatever your religion, that is your business. I mean this is the thing that is going on where the religion of black people has been decided by white people and they tell them how they should conduct their affairs. This is what we have, what Mr. MUHAMMAD protests. And how we practice our religion is of no concern to you. You practice yours whatever way you wish. The fact that Islam is in this country is something which is widely known. They have it in the Masonic Society. They practice it. And for you to say that our religion is a fraud. We can expect this from you because Mr. MUHAMMAD teaches the history of the white people

in this country and they are opposed to the religion of Islam and the only success that Islam has been in the last 34 years since the time he has been preaching this religion. I mean, ten years ago, you couldn't find the mention of Islam in even in the printing. His parent corporation, the field magazine, which publishes the Encyclopedia Britannica, or one of the reference books -

KUP:

The World Book.

JOHN:

They call it Mohammedism. Only since Mr. MUHAMMAD has been teaching has there been any respectability given to this religion and much of it. And concerning your trying. There are in fact. You don't even believe in your own Constitution when you tell me how to practice my religion. I mean this is not your prerogative.

GORDON:

This man has so many charges. We'll be all day catching up with him. Let's go back to the beginning premise. I thought -

JOHN:

Let's go back to the principle of religion.

KUP:

Let AUBREY get the floor, please.

AUBREY:

Beginning with the fraud. The religious, the religion of Islam as practiced by the Nation, the so-called Nation of Islam, is no similarity between orthodox Islam and what the Nation of Islam practices.

JOHN:

Well, if you must understand

AUBREY:

If you must talk religion in here, one of the principles of Islam is that you pray five times a day and there are certain steps and procedures that you must go through in order to pray. Now, in all the years that I have been in that temple, members have been trying to get the minister to teach them how to go through these "rakas" or how to perform the prayers. They have not been taught yet.

JOHN:

Well, that is something that I say is a lie. I mean, how we - again you must understand. I can understand your being so innocent not knowing because you are being used like so many of our people, being used by the white man to fight one of their causes. Because one, how I practice religion. If I want to worship this cup and worship it on that table or on top of the table, that is up to me. There is no such thing as orthodox -

AUBREY:

Well, if that is what you want to do, that is what you should tell, that is what you tell the public. That is what you want to do -

JOHN:

You don't have to tell the public. You tell the public -

AUBREY:

You shouldn't tell the -

JOHN:

You don't have to tell the public.

AUBREY:

public one thing and do another thing.

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KUP:

One at a time, please.

JOHN:

It is surprising how you allow yourself to be used like this.

AUBREY:

Now, the farthest concern -.
Let's go to the University of Islam.

JOHN:

It is one -

KUP:

JOHN, let him finish.

AUBREY:

Now, a university by all accepted practices, and Dr. LINCOLN, you straighten me out, you straighten us out on this -

JOHN:

Speak for yourself. I asked for no flat reason like that for your magazine article.

AUBREY:

Now a university, in order to be classified as a university in this country, you have to have a certain number of undergraduate and graduate schools. Now the Nation of Islam has been advertising for years in their brochures the University of Islam.

JOHN:

All right, bring it out.

AUBREY:

This is only a grammar school.

JOHN:

Bring it out.

AUBREY:

It is only a grammar school.
It's not a university. It doesn't have any colleges. It doesn't have any college students. But yet it's advertised as the University of Islam. This is a fraud.

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JOHN:

All right, let's go to that now.
You say that is a fraud.

AUBREY:

That is a fraud.

JOHN:

Well, this will show you how little - I mean, to be a college student, this is really surprising. This will show that you are still on the indoctrination of the whites. In fact, under Mr. MUHAMMAD we are the only people who rightly have the title to use the word University because ALLAH is the God of the universe and Islam is universal. And using names, any person may use any name they wish to go by as long as they are not using for, is not an illegal name. And Islam is universal -

AUBREY:

It is a fraud.

JOHN:

And so when we say university, the University of Islam has never been represented as a school, as a school of graduate studies. It has been always been told -

AUBREY:

Just a minute, by all accepted standards a university has to have -

JOHN:

That is by your, by white man's standards. By your standards. By the things that you go by.

AUBREY:

When we live in a -

JOHN:

We who

AUBREY:

country we usually use the English language.

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JOHN: We who have knowledge, we have, we know, that when we say the University of Islam it is referring to the school and -

KUP: Let me get this straight now, JOHN -

JOHN: Yes?

KUP: You say the University of Islam is a grade school?

JOHN: It goes from the kindergarten to the 12th grade. Right. And it has never been represented as -

KUP: It has nothing to do with -

JOHN: It is not a graduate school.

KUP: Or a university.

JOHN: The name of the school is the University of Islam.

KUP: Well, the -

JOHN: Because Islam is universal. It assuages (?) even more than this world.

KUP: Well, you explain that by saying this is your decision to qualify that name.

JOHN: No. Mr. MUHAMMAD's decision.

KUP: Yes.

JOHN:

To qualify this, which is his prerogative because university involves more than just locale of some buildings or 20 things. These are things of the white man's -

AUBREY:

It has to have a couple of undergraduate schools present there.

JOHN:

standards where they have the American Association of Colleges where they say in order for a university to exist and they have proof of it, say all right it must have 20 buildings, one library with 500 books and such and such like that. We're not seeking accreditation from that group and we're not representing ourselves as belonging to that group. And the right of this name to be on this school which goes from kindergarten to the 12th grade which anyone knows and if you've been there and if you ever was around, your eyes really are closed much more than what we thought.

AUBREY:

I've been in quite a few towns.

JOHN:

The school has never been represented as anything more than that. And if Mr. MUHAMMAD desires

AUBREY:

It has been represented as the University of Islam.

JOHN:

This is one of the reasons why he has this \$20,000,000 program is to build, is to build schools of our own among our people. And to have, and he's been stating this that he wants to build. It is in his program. He wants to build; he wants to build houses.

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AUBREY:

That is part of a program. That is a program.

JOHN:

And we have children, we have over 600 children. We have children now who are going to school and we don't have delinquency existing among our children and if we had the facilities we would have -

AUBREY:

This is another fraud.

JOHN:

more than Muslims going there.

AUBREY:

This is another fraud. That you don't have delinquency existing among Muslim children.

JOHN:

Right. The only delinquent we have is you and we're -

AUBREY:

I'm not -

JOHN:

glad that you're not with us.

AUBREY:

I'm not going to belittle,
I'm not going to belittle anything
that you -

JOHN:

You belittle yourself by being in public.

KUP:

Let him finish, now. One at a time.

AUBREY:

If you do something --, I give you credit for it. But when you say you don't have any juvenile delinquency among Muslim children, you're deceiving the people or you're deceiving yourself. Because juvenile delinquency definitely does exist among the Muslim children.

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JOHN: Name one. Name one.

AUBREY: Several cases.

JOHN: Name one!

AUBREY: In Boston.

JOHN: Name one!

AUBREY: In Boston -

JOHN: Name one!

KUP: Well, let him name it, JOHN.

AUBREY: In Boston, there is a case -

JOHN: Name one!

AUBREY: where a child was taken away from -

JOHN: Name one!

AUBREY: his Muslim parents and taken to
his Christian parents in order
to stay out of reform school.

JOHN: Name one!

AUBREY: In Boston, Massachusetts, that is
the case.

JOHN: Name the people. I mean you are
citing something that it is a hypo -

AUBREY: That is the case.

JOHN: Hypo, hypothetical proposition.

AUBREY: It is not a hypothetical case. I
know the case.

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JOHN:

Name and names.

AUBREY:

I know the case very well. And in fact -

JOHN:

Name the names. You say something which is irrelevant, immature and not pertaining to the issue. You are a man which does not deal with facts.

KUP:

Let's pause here a moment for a message and we'll be right back.

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KUP:

GORDON, you want to get a word in edgewise between these two combatants.

GORDON:

I'll try to. If we accept the basic premise from this side of the table that a group establishes itself as a religion in this country and once having established itself, that no criticism should come, therefore, because the person has his own religion and that is his business and not yours or mine. This would mean then that let us say, then that we can have a Christian group anywhere in the United States set itself up with the word "Christian", which is done all the time, the country is loaded with hate groups with the word "Christian" in the title, -

JOHN:

(Starts to speak)

GORDON:

Let me finish. And then they began to assault Roman Catholics and Jews and anybody that they happen to dislike, but because they are a Christian religion, so-called, and incorporated under that title, no one is allowed to say anything

about the viciousness of the attack on other groups because they are a religion. This is a totally false premise and the Muslims, like everybody else in the United States, are subjected to press criticisms, television criticisms, analysis and all the rest. There is nothing sacred about ELIJAH MUHAMMAD although apparently you think so.

JOHN:

Well, I'd like to answer you on that. I mean, I can appreciate and understand your type on this because this is written what would be done. Because Mr. MUHAMMAD is a man of God, and we don't object to criticism. In fact, we expect it because it is written that the last day, the last day would have attacks from unbelievers and hypocrites and devils. And so, we can expect this. We understand this coming from you. Because you are opposed to Islam from the very beginning. It is not your nature to accept it. And we can understand your criticizing it and going against it and also opposing it and getting others to do this because it is written, that you'll be doing this.

GORDON:

You weren't listening to what I was saying before.

JOHN:

Because, and from your attack on Mr. MUHAMMAD's position. From your attack on Mr. MUHAMMAD, this shows the, this shows the shallowness of your mentality. I mean, you attack the man because you are on this program.

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GORDON:

I simply said there is nothing sacred about him. Has that become an attack?

JOHN:

I mean he is sacred. I mean, we say that he is a man from God. And not something incorporated or going into the laws of the state on the religion laws. I mean something that he has a message directly from God. And if you object to his methods -

GORDON:

A final point, -

JOHN:

You have the -

GORDON:

A final point -

JOHN:

opportunity tomorrow because he will be at the Coliseum speaking there tomorrow at 2:00 PM and never yet has any white person come up and denounced the teaching that he's teaching for the past 34 years as being something false or fraud as they have paid people among us to do. This has never, there has never been one white man to denounce him. I mean, the man is teaching a religion. He is teaching our people to clean themselves off; he is teaching them not to be addicts. He is teaching them to be self-sufficient and to do things for themselves. Why should you object to this? Why should you denounce this man as not being sacred? What has he done to you? How does this interfere with you? Teaching our people the principles of Islam -

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GORDON: Can we go back to what I said?

JOHN: No. Wait a minute, -

GORDON: You're making a long-winded, -
Can we go back to what I said.

JOHN: No. You're trying to disguise
yourself and cover up your
hatred for this man which we
all know about.

GORDON: I mean -

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JOHN: Because you have

GORDON: You said a few minutes ago that you never heard about me.

JOHN: Why are you concerned about him?

GORDON: You said a few minutes ago you never heard about me. So how do you know about all the things I've said?

JOHN: Why are you concerned about him? Why do you come on this program? To discuss MUHAMMAD? I told you -

KUP: Wait one second. This is getting no place, JOHN. Let me turn to Dr. LINCOLN. Let me turn to Dr. LINCOLN, on one side. Dr. LINCOLN, you've made a definitive study of this group. I'd like to get your opinion of the Black Muslim movement. There is no doubt there is some good points to the organization.

LINCOLN: Well, as you know, I made the study as a social philosopher not as a partisan, not as an opponent of Islam and not as a salesman for Islam. What I did, beginning in 1956, was to try to study the movement with all of the tools that a sociologist

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LINCOLN:

normally uses and to get as much insight into the movement as I could get. I feel that I know a little bit about Islam as it is taught by Mr. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. I do not claim to know all. After all, I was a person outside the movement and not inside and there were certainly some things that perhaps I possibly do not know. But nevertheless I feel that I know something about it and certainly I know something about it from the point of view of a sociologist.

KUP:

Now, you made a statement that there is about 100 thousand members which AUBREY has differed with you on. He claims the membership is much much smaller. About 7,000 I think, according to your article. Is that right, AUBREY?

AUBREY:

Yes. The present membership is at around 7,000, at the peak.

JOHN:

Well, I'd like to comment on that because, one -

KUP:

One second.

LINCOLN:

I'd like to speak to the question. At the time I began research on the movement in 1956, this was several years ago and my estimate of 100,000 members was made around 1960 when the movement seemed to have gained membership and seemed

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LINCOLN:

to have been at a pinnacle.
I have never offered this number
as a hard and fast number for
the membership.

KUP:

Would you make a guess about
its membership today?

LINCOLN:

This was the number at which
I arrived at through my, through
my own calculations, my visits
to many, many temples, to
questionnaires that I sent out,
to talking with other people
and so on. And this also was
not limited to what you might call
card-carrying Muslims. One thing
about the Muslim movement is that
there are many people who apparently
follow the teachings of ELIJAH
MUHAMMAD who are not formally assoc-
iated with the movement. Now whether
the membership of the movement is
down to 7,000 now as Mr. BARNETTE
claims, or whether it is up to
200,000 now as Mr. MUHAMMAD claims,
I frankly don't know.

JOHN:

Well, I'd like to make one point.
Mr. MUHAMMAD is not claiming any
membership of any figure. I mean,
well, first of all you must under-
stand the nature of Mr. MUHAMMAD's
mission. I mean, his job is
delivery of a message to the
so-called American Negro and the
principle of Islam is based on
principles of practice or beliefs,
five principles. One is belief

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JOHN:

in the law of the apostles and the books they wrote, prayer, charity, fasting, and pilgrimages when they are financially and physically able. And anyone, if they are practicing no principles, can be a Muslim or may not be a Muslim. It is up to the individual and if a person is practicing a principle that is what makes them a Muslim. And they can be practicing a principle and not necessary for a person to attend our mosque, too, in order to be a member. They can read Mr. MUHAMMAD's life in the paper. Anywhere they get it. They can get it from another person. And that is up to the individual, because we are not claiming membership of any nature.

KUP:

(Starting to speak)

JOHN:

I was going to say this, Mr. KUP. Mr. MUHAMMAD is teaching on nationwide radio across the country every Sunday. We have our paper which is one of the, is the widest circulated news medium among the so-called American Negro that is getting his message out. And any one of the people all across the country hearing may at one time or may at another time be practicing the religion of Islam. And this is what makes a person a Muslim and not cards. We don't carry any cards around or anything of that nature.

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AUBREY: What is the purpose of the letter that is sent out, JOHN?

LINCOLN: May I speak?

AUBREY: Each prospective person who attends a temple meeting, he receives a letter. And he fills it out and either says he has attended two or three meetings and he believes in the teaching and then he signs his name and he gets an answer back.

JOHN: Well, that explains itself.

AUBREY: That is the same as his enrollment. What is the purpose of it?

JOHN: It explains one who has attended the meeting. But we have people who read the "Muhammad Speaks" newspaper, which is out every Friday. With the newspaper we have people listening to Mr. MUHAMMAD's broadcasts which are, which we have on one of the most powerful transmitters in the country, on XERF which broadcasts not only in the United States but all the way up -

AUBREY: But certainly you don't have -

JOHN: to the Dominion of Canada, South America and other places.

AUBREY: But certainly you wouldn't have a letter to, certainly you wouldn't have a letter to claim a person who has been to a -

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JOHN:

This letter -

KUP:

One minute.

AUBREY:

teaching or not. I mean, it is obvious if you see him there at the teaching, he's been there at the meeting. Why give him a letter?

JOHN:

Mr. MUHAMMAD, I mean, Mr. MUHAMMAD and his ministers. They study. After a person hears, they don't have the--. Like you, you're not responsible for yourself anymore. All his job is the clear deliverance of his message to our people and not necessary for them to attend our meetings or attend in mosques or attend meetings of that nature in order to follow. They're told to either accept it or reject.

LINCOLN:

I want to return, if I may, to the question of membership. Because I think that it is important insofar as Mr. BARNETTE has found one figure and I have suggested another. I interviewed Mr. MUHAMMAD less than three hours ago and he said to me at that time that his membership was certainly in excess of 200,000. He did not nail down the figure.

KUP:

What did he base that on, Dr. LINCOLN?

LINCOLN:

Officially, I did not ask him his basis for it but he said that. He also said as far as people who were following him who

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LINCOLN:

were not, I hope you don't find the word offensive, by card-carrying Muslims -

JOHN:

I was going -

LINCOLN:

I don't intend to take offense.

JOHN:

I'm not understanding you, Doctor.

LINCOLN:

All right then. Well, he said that insofar as followers were concerned he perhaps had well over a million. He said perhaps and he didn't know. He did not attempt to be definite at that point.

KUP:

Did he explain why the attendance at the Coliseum is so small then, if he has such a large membership?

GORDON:

--and much less attendance today.

JOHN:

Well, I'll say this -

LINCOLN:

May I continue my statement, please? He also said further that in the last year, this is a statement since the defection of MALCOLM X, it is his claim that the membership has doubled. There is one other point I would like to make for clarification about attempting to take sides here.

KUP:

Well, let me ask you before you leave that field, do you,

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KUP:

as a sociologist, do you accept this as face value or do you have some system of checking this figure?

LINCOLN:

I have no way, no accurate way of course of checking the membership of Islam. I don't believe anybody has. For an organization of this type, it is impossible, so far as I know even for anyone who is a member of the organization to say with accuracy what the membership is.

KUP:

And you're saying his figure may be as wrong as the 2 million or the 1 million or the 100 thousand. Anyone may be wrong.

LINCOLN:

I figure, I would say this. That Mr. BARNETTE arrives at his figure and certainly through a method that he believes to be accurate and true. And I try to do the same thing. But of all the people who have been studying the Muslims and there have been many, I do not know any 2 people who agree on number. I don't think that they can.

KUP:

Un huh.

LINCOLN:

Let's take ALEX HALEY (ph.), LOUIE LOMAX, and since I have been studying the Muslims I have received hundreds of letters from graduate students all over the country and from police officials who have been studying officials who have been

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LINCOLN:

studying the movement and I have never seen two figures that were identical. Also, I will be frank with you. I simply don't know.

KUP:

Yes, that's understandable.

JOHN:

Mr. -

LINCOLN:

One, one other thing. Just as a matter of academics. The question of the word, the use of the word university. I may be able to clear up something along this line. Back in the 1860's and 70's, when most Negro colleges were established in this country, they almost invariably called themselves universities. I think that this was probably to show their aspiration to become universities and probably to elevate at least within their own minds what they themselves were doing. To give you a concrete example. I teach at Clark College in Atlanta, which was established in 1869 as Clark University, when it was really just a normal school at that time. They didn't drop the name university until 1940. I can give you another example. Claflin College in South Carolina, which is a school much smaller than mine, calls itself Claflin University. So, I think, this is perhaps, I don't know Mr. BARNETTE, but

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LINCOLN:

this is perhaps how the use of the name came to be.

KUP:

While we're talking about membership, let me get to another point which I think is very serious. JOHN, I'd like to get your opinion. Because I think AUBREY touched on a very important thing here. He says in the Saturday Evening Post article that he came to realize that the one thing the Muslims cannot live with is success. The Muslims want no part of successful people. For this reason Muslims do not court prominent Negroes. CASSIUS CLAY is one exception, of course. But one thing that has amazed many people is the lack of any Negro intellectual, any Negro of any prominence to support this movement.

JOHN:

By explaining intellectual -

KUP:

Can you explain that?

JOHN:

I mean, intellectual means dealing with a person who has knowledge. It can mean someone who is, when you say intellectual what do you mean, intellectual? Do you mean someone having degrees, going to college and who have a string of degrees?

KUP:

Let's not get into a battle of semantics.

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JOHN:

I want to know what you mean when you say university.

KUP:

I didn't say that. I said intellectual.

JOHN:

Because we have, because we already had difference of words here on university.

KUP:

There are many Negro intellectuals. Dr. LINCOLN is recognized as one. RALPH BUNCHE, -

JOHN:

Well, I'll tell you.

KUP:

There are thousands of Negro -

JOHN:

Well, I'll tell you. All the Muslims who follow Mr. MUHAMMAD we call them intellectuals.

KUP:

Well, you know they're not, though. To classify the American Negro, -

JOHN:

I mean, according to whose standards are you going by? By your standards? The white man's standards? Or are you going by -

KUP:

No. I'm going by the accepted standards.

JOHN:

Are you going by the standards of the world? Or what people have -

KUP:

I'm going by accepted standards, JOHN. Apparently -

JOHN:

Are you going by the accepted standards where people are concerned

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JOHN: about the knowledge of themselves?
I'd say that we're all intellectuals.
Because it takes a very intelligent
man to recognize when he has been
lost and cut off from his own
people and realize he must now do
something for himself. And Mr.
MUHAMMAD -

KUP: Name one intellectual, the status
of Dr. LINCOLN -

JOHN: I'll name one -

KUP: Mr. RALPH BUNCHE, or anybody else.

JOHN: I'll name one greater, Mr. MUHAMMAD,
because he himself, the very fact
that he had this discussion on your
show shows he was intellectual.
If he wasn't, you would not be
discussing him. Here's a man who -

KUP: No, we discuss people of all walks -

JOHN: I mean if he were -

KUP: of life. That's no category.

JOHN: I mean, by the very fact that he is
intellectual is the fact of your
conversation here. Because why
would you be concerned about a man
who went less than a normal grade
school education and you have
doctors here, you have doctors here,
you have Congressmen here and
you have college graduates. Why
are you college graduates concerned
about this little man who is an
uneducated man, according to your
standards?

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KUP: Well, do you mean that if we're discussing the Klu Klux Klan, -

JOHN: Wait a minute -

KUP: on the same level that you would say these were intellectuals, because we're discussing them?

JOHN: No, -

KUP: Is that your argument?

JOHN: No, I'm saying this. It is even more to his credit that he can take people who were formerly dropouts out of school - inspire them to do things for themselves.

KUP: Well, let me go back to the original question, JOHN.

JOHN: If we felt like going to school, we have, we don't make claims. We're not braggarts or going around bragging and saying who we have in our midst. Because in Islam we accept everyone; whether they be uneducated or educated, whether they be professional or unprofessional. I mean, we have many in our group. I don't mean we don't go around telling you that this man does good. Like they do in the American society where they have these status symbols and things and we, who belong to a certain category that you had \$10,000 and you have a ranch home and all these different things. Because we're not concerned with those status symbols. Or you go to Brown University, -

KUP: Well, you made your point; will you hold it?

JOHN: Because I've gone to school myself. We have a -

KUP: Let me turn to a sociologist. Let me turn to a sociologist. One second, JOHN. This will be an interesting point for a sociologist. Can you explain, Dr. LINCOLN, why on my terms, no Negro intellectual or no Negro of any stature has accepted or supported ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD?

LINCOLN: Well, essentially this is a mass movement. And as a mass movement, it will have an appeal to a certain class of people which will not normally -

KUP: What kind of people would you say are included in this class?

LINCOLN: I would say that it would appeal primarily to the people who are the most disprivileged, the people who are the farthest down and the people who have not been, for reasons of various kinds of profession, to make their way successfully in today's world in which they live. And these are likely, though not exclusively, they are likely to be the people that include fewer of what we would call intellectuals and other groups. However, there are some people in the Black Muslim movement

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LINCOLN:

who are well-educated and I can think of at least one who might be called an intellectual. This is LONNIE CROSS, who has a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Michigan, I believe, and who was chairman of the department of mathematics or at least taught mathematics at Atlanta University. I believe he is at your Washington Center.

JOHN:

In fact, we have many intellectuals. Dr. CROSS is one of your associates. But we have many more who go to college and schools -

LINCOLN:

This I don't doubt but I just want to point -

JOHN:

We graduate them ourselves. We have some going to Harvard. We have some going to Brown. We have some going to Loyola, right here, the University of Chicago. We have some going to, going all over to schools.

AUBREY:

(starting to speak) - In the whole time I was in your organization, -

JOHN:

Let me finish -

KUP:

Go ahead, JOHN.

JOHN:

I want to talk. Let me finish. One more thing you understand, too, is what you might call the intellectual classes going on. Anyone who made a study of revolution or change always

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JOHN:

finds that the intellectual class are generally the privileged class going with the present society. And Mr. MUHAMMAD is teaching a religious movement which is dedicated to change in the last day. Where a divine God with the, or the God will be behind them. And you have a similar parallel, a precedent in the history of Moses. Because Moses too, history is compared to Mr. MUHAMMAD. They were both uneducated people and they had what you call the uneducated with them. I mean the people that were following Moses were uneducated and the intellectuals opposed him like they oppose Mr. MUHAMMAD. And they objected to him because they went along with the Pharoah. Because the benefits and the stature they received were granted by the Pharoah. And this is the only way they could maintain these things by continuing to go along with Pharoah.

KUP:

Your history is a little bit wrong, JOHN, but we have to, pardon me, JOHN, we have to interrupt for a message. We'll be right back.

COMMERCIAL

KUP:

A short time ago, gentlemen and audience, we had the late MALCOLM X on the show and we'd like to show you a clip from our previous broadcast of January 30th, a few weeks before he was assassinated; to show you what he said on this show, after which we'll come back to hear from CASSIUS CLAY.

VOICE:

MUHAMMAD is a faker and -

MALCOLM:

If ELIJAH MUHAMMAD really believed in the same god that I believed in; I believed in ELIJAH MUHAMMAD stronger than he believed in himself. I believed in his God more than he did and I was not aware of this until I found that he was confronted with a crisis in his own personal moral life and he did not stand up as a man. Anybody can make a moral mistake but when they have to lie about it and will be willing to see that murder is committed to cover up their mistake, not only are they not divine, they're not even a man. If a man sits as a judge and a woman is brought in front of him and charged with adultery and the judge himself is the one with whom she committed adultery but the judge stands up and berates the woman, letting no, in order to make no one even suspect that he is the real criminal who was involved with the woman and humiliates her and then sends her into isolation, completely destroys her reputation, with no kind of protection for her, of her whatsoever. And she takes it, she loves him so much and believes so strongly in his sense of justice so much she allows herself to be projected almost as a prostitute and that man permits this, then that is not a man. To have gotten weak for a woman is one thing. It is human, and it is natural. But after getting weak and completely destroying her reputation, to do nothing whatsoever to protect her as a woman, then he is not a man. And to commit murder and to see followers line up to kill each other and to mutilate each other, then this is not a man.

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VOICE:

Doesn't ELIJAH MUHAMMAD preach non-violence and the non-use of guns and weapons and so forth?

MALCOLM:

When I was in the Black Muslim movement we never carried weapons. We were taught against that. And we were never taught that. We never actually fought at any time. We were told that God was going to come, you know, and do all these things. When the Muslim brothers were beaten in Louisiana, we weren't allowed to fight back. Nothing was done to equalize the situation. ELIJAH told us that God would come and do it. But to show you that there is lack of consistency. Now he orders his followers to go out and attack each other, to mutilate each other. If the ability, the talent, the skill, the know-how, the Black Muslim brothers have been trained into were used against organizations like the Klu Klux Klan or the White Citizens Council or the racist elements in this country, then I could somewhat go along with the present trend of their fighting each other, too. But when all of their physical energy is expended fighting only, fighting each other then I say something is wrong.

KUP:

Are you trying to tell us that there's been an attack on your life because of your withdrawal or dismissal from the Muslim organization?

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MALCOLM:

I've had, I've had several.

KUP:

You have?

MALCOLM:

And just thanks, thanks to Allah, I, so far, I've been successful. But I'm like this. I believe that when you are born, a black man born in this particular society, you are faced with certain dangers already. You get used to it and plus the stand I took when I was in the Black Muslim movement was uncompromising. I defended an indefensible position, I think, and I was that indefensible position. Anybody who defends an indefensible position as well as I did must have believed in it.

KUP:

You want to apologize to me for our first argument many years ago -

MALCOLM:

No. No. No. I won't apologize, KUP. For this reason. You see, I don't think that the burden is upon any black man in this society to apologize for any stand he takes for this reason. Most of us are attracted to things extreme primarily because of the extreme negative condition that we live in and that has been permitted to exist already far too long.

KUP:

Yeah, but our first argument, Brother MALCOLM, was not over that condition which I readily admitted. Mine was over the position of the Black Muslims, the very thing that you are now denouncing and let me say this -

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MALCOLM:

Mind you, when I denounced it I said this; that I'm not denouncing it because society wants me to or some agency wants me to. And I'm not denouncing, I can explain its existence and defend its existence.

KUP:

That is because you're very glib and very able with words.

MALCOLM:

No. No. The Black Muslim movement is the result of the failure of a society. The hate that exists in the American society is what has produced the frustration that exists in black.

KUP:

The same thing is true of the Klu Klux Klan.

MALCOLM:

No. No. No. It is a different thing altogether.

KUP:

But the same thing is the root of racial hatred, is it not?

MALCOLM:

No. No. No.

KUP:

Sure it is.

MALCOLM:

The Klu Klux Klan is a part of this society.

KUP:

It is the result of racial hatred.

MALCOLM:

No. The Klu Klux Klan -

KUP:

and your Black Muslims is the result of the racial hatred at the other end.

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MALCOLM:

Sir, the Klu Klux Klan is, is a part of the society which has absolutely not fulfilled itself, fulfilled its promise for 22 million black Americans. And it is the part of that society that has been used to frighten the black Americans into taking positive action to eliminate the negative conditions. Now, the Black Muslim movement is the result of frustration that exists among black people and who see no hope of the society itself creating a real door so they take the door that is placed in front of it. Now, I myself as I said, I am a Muslim who believes in brotherhood and who believes in not judging a man by the color of his skin. But on the other hand, I have to face the reality of the fact that I live in a society in which brotherhood has not become a reality and because of that, then I have to take a stand that is uncompromising on the side of my people against anything or any person that stands in the way of our being recognized and accepted as human beings in the same context with all of humanity.

KUP:

We have to pause here for a message but before we do, I'd like to make a point that we knew that MALCOLM probably would say some derogatory things about ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and we asked the Black Muslims or the Muslims as they prefer to be called, to have a representative here, either in person or on the hot line. They declined but they said they may have an answer here next week.

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KUP: And now we can switch to that next week and representing the Muslim organization is the heavyweight champion of the world, CASSIUS CLAY, who prefers to be known by his Islam name, MUHAMMAD ALI. JOHN, I think that's the right facts, are they not, that you promised to have the champ here the following week?

JOHN: I did.

KUP: All right, we'd like to have you see now what the champ answered in his appearance the following week.

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KUP: Champ, last week a friend of yours, MALCOLM X, said on this show here and he denounced the so-called Muslims of which you are a member and he denounced the man you call the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, the leader of your group. Perhaps you had a report on this and I wonder if you would like to retaliate because at that time the Muslims told me they'd like to have you come on and answer MALCOLM X.

CLAY: I have one thing to say. First of all, I am the heavyweight boxing champion and by accepting the Islamic religion here, it has seemed to cause a disturbance and hundreds of people are joining and are sympathizing

with it daily but they're just not recognized because they're not famous but they've made a big case out of me and they're putting me in the position of being an authority or a minister which I am not. The knowledge that I have is a grain of sand in a desert compared to the knowledge of the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. So what, as far as MALCOLM X is concerned. I mean I don't even think about him. We don't think about him and I'm not retaliating. I don't want to say anything about him. I'd rather not talk about him. He's nothing but a fellow who was an ex-dope addict, a prisoner, a jailbird who had no education, couldn't read or write, who heard about the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD, who took him off the streets, cleaned him up and educated him enough to go out and debate and you might say defeat any opponent that he met in interviews and -

KUP:

Debates?

CLAY:

Yeah. So now that he has, you know he made a statement about an airplane blowing up, 130 whites from Atlanta, and he wasn't representing the Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD when he said that. And naturally he had to let the world know that he's not that kind of man to make mark of things like that and also the death of the President, the great President KENNEDY, one of the best presidents we ever had in America. He also rejoiced over that. So naturally

CLAY:

the leader is a wise man. He had to set him down and tell him that we don't do things like this. The press kept building him up and making MALCOLM X think that he was the number 2 man. MALCOLM X the number 2 man. MALCOLM X this. Well, if you don't know much about this you would think MALCOLM was the leader. And he got the big hand. The press got it and now he was. He couldn't take the spanking. He disobeyed our leader. He came down to Miami, Florida. I was nice enough to pay his way and his family's to Miami, Florida. And I took him his dinner every day. Because he couldn't eat in the motel that he was staying in because they served--. And I have heard him say many a time that we are not Black Muslims. That is the name the press gave it. I understand that he was on television saying that we are Black Muslims. I understand that he also said that he didn't, that he had heard that Islam in the East is taught different from it is in the West. And he believes in the Holy Koran and the teachings of its people. Well if that is true, those people in the East believe in the Holy Koran. They have the Holy Koran. And in the Holy Koran it says that Muslims don't take Jews and Gentiles for friends. Or use a Christian for friends. So how can he go back and say that everybody's the same according to Islam when the main book that they read in the East says this.

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KUP: Well, I'm glad for one thing - that you don't want to attack MALCOLM X as you said in your preface (laughs).

CLAY: Oh, no. We don't even -. Oh, I forgot, another thing I want to say, too. He is no longer MALCOLM X as he has denounced. This -, why go around calling himself MALCOLM X?

KUP: He says Brother X, I think, or Brother MALCOLM, rather.

CLAY: He is none. He is just MALCOLM LITTLE. L I T T L E. Little, nothing. Just like he was before he heard this. He's MALCOLM LITTLE. He's no more X. X is a badge of honor that you receive once you become a follower of Honorable ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. So now that he has denounced it, understand that we should break up this calling his MALCOLM X because he's no longer X..

KUP: Well, I'm glad we should, I'm glad we can resolve this whole problem with one little statement by you and forget about the religion.

CLAY: That is all. I'm, I'm -

KUP: I think it is very commendable of you to say you're the heavyweight champion and you speak only as a heavyweight champion and not as a -

CLAY: and don't talk -

KUP: and not as an authority on -

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KUP: Did you, did anybody have any comment on -

JOHN: Yes, I'd like to say something on that -

KUP: - get some contradictory viewpoints expressed here?

JOHN: One, as a result of MALCOLM's death. The press has used his death in order to create and generate more opposition to Mr. MUHAMMAD. You know, it is really surprising to see the extent that white people will go to, in order to gain opposition to MUHAMMAD. They will even take someone who denounced a president or who make a mockery of some of their own people who died in order to build up opposition to MUHAMMAD.

KUP: Why do you say the press does that? The New York -

JOHN: and the authorities -

KUP: police are the ones that say the man they have arrested was a member of your organization. It wasn't the press.

JOHN: No. I beg your pardon. They have not. The press, too, they have used this. They put statements out that someone is coming after Mr. MUHAMMAD.

KUP: The press hasn't made up these statements. These were all made by people who -

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JOHN:

The press has done this. They have done this. They say they have names of it. If they have someone making a threat against them, the only proper thing to do is to arrest that person. But they have permitted this thing to go on because they hope to promote some type of conspiracy in an effort to see that Mr. MUHAMMAD is killed.

KUP:

Who wants to?

JOHN:

Well, like I say anyone doing this is meeting their own certain doom.

KUP:

Who wants to?

JOHN:

Anyone. I say white America is doing this because they have never yet permitted anyone to go on TV or radio and make threats and against a man's life. I mean, like here this is a legal matter. But they have permitted this thing to go on in the case of Mr. MUHAMMAD. And he is not afraid and neither are his followers afraid. And he stated yesterday at the Coliseum that anyone that is going against him, I mean, they is playing with their, I mean, their own doom. And they're using this incident of MALCOLM's death in an effort to generate opposition -

KUP:

I don't know who you mean by that.
The New York Police are the ones who

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KUP:

cited the man they arrested as
a member of the Black Muslims.

JOHN:

They are citing this. This is a
matter for the court. I mean
they say, even then, a man is
innocent until proven guilty, until
proven guilty.

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KUP: Nobody said he is guilty. They just arrested him on charges.

JOHN: I'd say this is so. Which I don't know -

KUP: GORDON, -

JOHN: I'm saying that they have never yet permitted anyone to go on TV and give a man nationwide cover, week after - day after day, and let the world know that he is coming after Mr. MUHAMMAD. This is unprecedented. And this shows the hypocrisy of the authorities themselves -

KUP: Why do you think the authorities are surrounding the Coliseum, if not to protect ELIJAH MUHAMMAD?

JOHN: Why are they - . They're not trying to protect Mr. MUHAMMAD. Yesterday they offered their protection to him. But they won't even get their police guard in front of his car going to the Coliseum. They put the car, the police guard, in back of his convoy and stopped at every red light and so in case someone is after him they can get him and say they hope they got him.

KUP: Now, JOHN, you know that's ridiculous charges. The police -

JOHN: The police -

KUP: are out there 100 strong to protect ELIJAH MUHAMMAD from any possible injury.

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JOHN: They're not doing their job the right way.

KUP: You know that they've taken every precaution possible.

JOHN: They're not doing their job the right way. If they were doing it the right way, they would do it the right way. I mean, we know something true about how to protect a man and Mr. MUHAMMAD is well protected. And we're not asking for police protection. They're doing this on their own. But they're doing a job which -

KUP: Now you're making a contradiction.

JOHN: They're only making a show of it.

KUP: First of all you say the police are doing it on their own. Why are they expending over 100 men or more to protect -

JOHN: This is their duty.

KUP: If they're doing it on their own -

JOHN: We're citizens, too. Like the man says, we pay taxes like anyone else. We're a member of society. We're entitled to -

KUP: You certainly are. That's what the police are doing.

JOHN: And Mr. MUHAMMAD says if the police couldn't stop it, we'll stop it.

KUP: But the police are doing everything they can.

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JOHN: But, if they permit people to go around and make threats at us, which they are doing -

KUP: Well, you can't stop a person from making a threat. You can arrest him if you can find him.

JOHN: Oh yes, you can. You don't give them publicity. You don't put them on your TV show and make threats. You don't -

KUP: They'd like to find them. Why do you think they're searching the highways for -

JOHN: You let a person come on your show and make a threat?

KUP: No.

JOHN: Mr. KUP, I mean, no, let's not be naive now.

KUP: Who made the threat?

JOHN: I mean, they had people making threats. LEON AMERCE (phonetic) and other people saying they are going to threaten Mr. MUHAMMAD's life. I mean, this is something they want to promote in this country. We know this.

KUP: GORDON, you wanted to get a word in edgewise.

GORDON: We hear a lot of words but very little real hard information. To begin with, the courts have already convicted in Massachusetts, KUP, a number of Muslims, actual active members of the

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GORDON: (Continued)

Muslim Mosque in Boston who were beating up ex-Muslims who have simply left not to tell their stories. AUBREY BARNETTE wasn't able to tell a story to the Saturday Evening Post until after he was beaten viciously. There are hospital records and there are court records and there are hard convictions. Now these are facts. These are actual members of the Muslim temple in Boston and elsewhere who have been convicted in the courts of the United States. And let's wait just a little bit longer about the shooting of MALCOLM and you will probably see that RONALD BUTLER is indeed an active member of the Muslim movement in the New York area. And the courts, and the courts of the United States will decide these matters regardless of all of this glossing over to decide, what thing we're talking about today.

KUP:

But you did say in a press conference, JOHN, that you did not know of any BUTLERs who was a member. Did you make that statement?

JOHN:

I didn't know of any. - didn't know any of them. Outside of knowing him as a member. I say we're making an investigation -

KUP:

But the police of New York said he was. For what reason -

JOHN:

The police say a lot of things in New York. They say they accused ones, accused of broke into our

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JOHN: (Continued)

homes in New York. They accused us of 108 charges against us. But the court proves this is wrong. And they arrested Mr. MUHAMMAD. He served five years in a Federal penitentiary for nothing. Because he practiced the religion of Islam. I mean, this doesn't make it right, because the police does it. They do a lot of things which are wrong in this country. This is one of the reasons why Mr. MUHAMMAD is in this country - to get our people free so they won't meet the doom that is coming from those who desire to do wrong. And for any white man to promote, to try. I mean, our people are well aware now of any white man taking a great interest in the Muslim movement. I mean, why are you trying to be a benefactor to certain Negroes. I mean, at this late day and time? I mean, why are you so much concerned with it? This is not your religion. I mean, what effect does this have on you?

GORDON:

We are all -

JOHN:

You say you are Unitarians. If you're Unitarians, you should be concerned with your own religion. And practice it. I mean, it's not your prerogative.

KUP:

JOHN, do you admit though, if a religion is a fraud - I'm not saying your religion is - but if it is a fraud do you mean that we shouldn't discuss it?

JOHN:

But this is not a fraud. Mr. MUHAMMAD, he says -

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KUP: He claims it is a fraud.

JOHN: Let him face Mr. MUHAMMAD. I mean, why does he seek God?

GORDON: Oh, I'll be glad to debate him. Would you like to arrange a debate between the two of us?

JOHN: I mean, you say he is a liar.

GORDON: I'd like to arrange a debate and discuss the whole thing, everything, the religion -

JOHN: We say you are not with the truth. But Mr. MUHAMMAD has gone out 34 years, - I mean, there, you all try to promote other people to attack him and to oppose him. I mean, this is written. In the Bible is one -

GORDON: He is getting off the track here.

JOHN: You're getting off the track because you tried to deny the fact that Mr. MUHAMMAD is a divine man and you try to mislead people into thinking that this is some type of religion that he concocted himself, that he is self-sent. He isn't from himself but he is from God and this is the outstanding thing that white people concentrate on, harp on, is to keep our people from following a man of God because they know that Mr. MUHAMMAD is the only salvation.

AUBREY: The reason I say -

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KUP: Let AUBREY get a word in.

AUBREY: The reason I say the Muslims are a fraud, JOHN, is because there are so many contradictions between what the Muslims say they stand for and what they actually stand for.

JOHN: Well, you haven't named one yet.

KUP: Let him finish, JOHN.

AUBREY: Okay. Next, starting we'll take - "Muhammad Speaks" newspaper. The first thing that you say is we want freedom. We want full and complete freedom. But do they give freedom to their members? No. The members in the organization of, in the Nation of Islam, live a completely dominated, restricted and confined life. They are forbidden to participate in society in any way.

JOHN: I beg your pardon. Do you read the Holy Koran? The Holy Koran says there is no compulsion to religion. So evidently you don't even practice religion.

KUP: JOHN, one second. Let him finish.

AUBREY: You're not following the Koran. That's what I'm saying. You say one thing and give the members another thing. The members have to give up all their freedoms. Their freedom of association. Their freedom of speech. A Muslim member can't come out here and give his opinion of what he thinks is the matter. There is only one spokesman in every Muslim organization.

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JOHN:

Well I say, you don't know. You don't understand the organization.

AUBREY:

You don't have freedom of speech. You don't have freedom of association. A Muslim member can't, he is forbidden to attend a Christian funeral or a Christian wedding or anything like that. And he's completely controlled.

JOHN:

Well, I'd like to say. Let me say. I'd like to answer your question -

AUBREY:

So the Muslim members are not free.

JOHN:

I'd like to answer. You don't understand the organization. One, if you understand Islam, I mean, all members, all religions teach members -. Even the Catholic Church teaches their members not to consort with non-members. I mean this is prevailing in any religion.

AUBREY:

There is a contradiction again.

JOHN:

--not to consort with non-Catholics. They are even forbidden to marry non-Catholics except with the special dispensation of the Pope. Or the church -

KUP:

You don't know what you're talking about.

JOHN:

But they aren't taught to go to other churches and things. They aren't taught to read a bible other than the Douay Bible.

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KUP: He's talking about meeting society -

JOHN: I mean, even society. Anyone that is trying to do good, don't want to mess with evil influence and this doesn't mean you understand change.

AUBREY: Anyone -

JOHN: Mr. MUHAMMAD says even the Holy Koran say do not take Jews or Christians for friends.

KUP: We have to interrupt here. Pardon me. We have to interrupt here for a message and we'll be right back.

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KUP: We're back on the air, GORDON, and you wanted to get a word in.

GORDON: I sure do. I'd like to say something just briefly about this whole question of freedom of religion in the United States. ELIJAH MUHAMMAD obviously, KUP, has the right to set up any kind of a sect that he wants and since he's being so amply protected today this means that we believe in this in this country and we allow him to practice. But freedom of religion does not mean that because he claims that he is sacred or divine that I have to accept it. I am free to disbelieve in ELIJAH MUHAMMAD and I most certainly do. Now, many years ago Father Divine came along and told his followers and in no sense do I equate by the way Father Divine with ELIJAH MUHAMMAD. They were two different kettle of fish

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indeed. But Father Divine told his followers that he was immortal and I was in Philadelphia and New York and I said he was not, and he was going to die some day. And I was considered extreme and a meddlesome white man and all the rest for saying it. Well, lo and behold, Father Divine is dead and he wasn't immortal and I wasn't incorrect nor disrespectful to suggest that maybe he thought he was immortal. But time is going to catch up with him, too.

JOHN:

Well, I'd like to say this, too. Mr. MUHAMMAD did not set this religion up. This is where you make your error. Or you don't make an error. I'd say you deliberately twist the facts in saying that he set it up. He did not set it up. Islam is the religion of God, and Mr. MUHAMMAD is the Messenger of God. And when you refer to Mr. MUHAMMAD or Mr. DIVINE as a kettle of fish, I mean, I wish you would use the same terminology in referring to the Pope or to the Rabbi or the members of your church. I mean this is not -

GORDON:

I'd be happy to. The Pope and the Unitarian Church are two different kettle of fish, too.

JOHN:

This is not being respectful. For you to use such shallow terms is not proper. I mean, let's be courteous anyway.

GORDON:

But your man, your man calls me a white devil all the time. That's very proper, isn't it?

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JOHN: He says -

GORDON: I'm a white devil. Don't forget that.

JOHN: Your people call us for years niggers. And we had to prove that we were not.

GORDON: Not all, not all of them.

JOHN: He said that God told him. He said -

GORDON: - doesn't and KUP doesn't.

JOHN: He said that God told him and he answered us thousands of times through the white press, through the Nation, he writes in their paper and says on their radio that God told him that the white race is the race of the devils and if you're not, this is your argument with God. I mean if they're not, prove that you're good. Prove that you're doing good. I mean, why are you concerned with our religion?

KUP: That's a pretty hard deduction to swallow, JOHN.

JOHN: I mean, you call us niggers and things -

GORDON: As have all other deductions been today. Hard to swallow.

JOHN: I mean, you call us -

KUP: JOHN, let me interrupt for just a second. AUBREY came all the way from Boston as did GORDON and they want to say a few comments, make a few comments here.

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AUBREY:

Well, JOHN has been dominating the time for the last hour or so. He's been going around the world, back again and back into the century.

JOHN:

That is what we call a universe.

AUBREY:

He has discussed today the Muslim program. Are they a fraud or aren't they a fraud? Now, on the back of every edition of "Muhammad Speaks" newspaper they list what the Muslims want. And what they want and what they actually get, what they stand for are two different things. They say they want justice. Now a few minutes ago JOHN talked on the program in reference to, about a person being a Muslim. He said that in this country at least a person is considered not guilty until proven guilty. That is correct in this country but not in the Muslim movement is the numerous trials they have there. They have trials of the members who have broken such laws as going to the theater or going to a sporting event or such things as that. They have these trials -

KUP:

Pardon me just a second, you said, going to a sporting event?

AUBREY:

Oh yes, this will be the first time in the -

KUP:

They had one today at an earlier time.

JOHN:

I'd like to interrupt. When a man is telling a natural lie, I'd like to interrupt. Because one, we have all types. Mr. MUHAMMAD does not encourage going to sporting events where they have gaming and gambling of that nature but we have many different types of athletic participation. We have basketball. We have -

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KUP: All right. You made your point.

GORDON: - intramural sports.

JOHN: - and all of this nature. I mean, -

KUP: All right, JOHN. Let AUBREY finish.

AUBREY: You were forbidden, JOHN, to attend in the Muslim organization -

JOHN: I beg your pardon.

AUBREY: any sporting event where anyone else attends, where the general public attends. You are forbidden to do this -

JOHN: I beg your pardon. I beg your pardon. You are not telling the truth.

AUBREY: Of course, there are big guys and little yous in the organization. There are big guys and -

JOHN: You will be - . I must interrupt -

KUP: Let him finish, JOHN.

AUBREY: You have a law in your organizations that you cannot associate with non-members or members who are out. Why don't CASSIUS CLAY get put out when he was associated with MALCOLM when MALCOLM was out?

JOHN: Well, like any group, they have religious ruling. I'd like to explain this. Like I say, you don't understand our organization.

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AUBREY:

I don't understand that organization because that organization -

JOHN:

Please, Mr. KUP. I gave you courtesy to finish.

AUBREY:

- what it is publicly against.

JOHN:

You don't understand our organization. I mean, like you said; restriction. I mean Islam does not, Islam takes restrictions off our people. This is one of the reasons why Mr. MUHAMMAD is offering to us -

AUBREY:

That's not right.

JOHN:

Please, please let's be polite now. You are asking for politeness. Mr. MUHAMMAD -

AUBREY:

I'm asking for politeness. I'm asking for the answer to the question.

JOHN:

This is one of the reasons why he is offering Islam to our people because it relieves restrictions from us. It gives us a wider, broader friendship. It is like our friends go beyond America, throughout the world, and we are not restricted. In fact, we can do more things than ever. I mean, you talk about being restricted - to evil things. Yes, I mean this is Mr. MUHAMMAD's program to get our people to refrain from evil habits -

AUBREY:

Please, please -

JOHN:

or participating in evil environment, things which will make them sick and not according to their own.

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JOHN:

He has restricted us from this,
from even more. He restricted us -
from drinking, from participating -

AUBREY:

This is very good -

JOHN:

from laziness and from shallowness
and from all the other different
things and if we have restrictions
of any nature, they are from white
people.

AUBREY:

(tries to speak)

JOHN:

One of the reasons why you object
to the religion of Islam is because
in Boston, Boston is noted for a
great integrated, mixed society
where they have many mixed marriages
and mixed religions going on.

AUBREY:

That's got nothing to do with it.
I don't have a mixed marriage.

JOHN:

And this is one of the great things.
This is one of the things that you
are noted for. Because you have
a wife and everything and you have -

AUBREY:

I have a wife who was a Black Muslim
member just as I was.

JOHN:

And this is one of the reasons that
you object -

KUP:

Just one second.

JOHN:

to Islam because you had an extra-
marital affair with -

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AUBREY:

Let me talk!

JOHN:

white woman and you object to Islam because Islam doesn't condone this. We are well aware of your tricks.

AUBREY:

That is certainly a lie.

JOHN:

- and Boston is noted for that.

AUBREY:

It is noted for -

JOHN:

And this is one of the reasons why Mr. MUHAMMAD has established Islam in that city. Because Boston is known for Negroes -

AUBREY:

There are also laws of libel and slander because I will certainly see you in court.

JOHN:

Go right ahead. Go right ahead because this is well known.

AUBREY:

The man -

KUP:

Hold it just a minute. Dr. LINCOLN -

LINCOLN:

I was just wondering if we could re-establish our grounds so we can hear one man at a time.

KUP:

We can try desperately. Go ahead, AUBREY.

AUBREY:

JOHN is making reckless and senseless charges.

JOHN:

No, this is not reckless.

AUBREY:

I'm glad you're making them because I think that I can sue -

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You can get your lawyer -

AUBREY:

Right. And let me quote something which WALLACE MUHAMMAD said. It was published in the newspaper. You can quarrel with them if you want to. I understand he attended the meeting. The main laws of the organization are to refrain from adultery, fornication, smoking, drinking, lying and stealing. The members of my father's staff are guilty of some or all of these evils. There have been beatings, lies and hypocrisy. They have written, they have presented, my father as a holy image and misused thousands of dollars. So there are laws and restrictions but they don't apply to anyone. They only apply to the small members, the members who don't reach the high echelon. Now another thing they see in "Muhammad Speaks" newspaper is we want equality of opportunity. There is no equality of opportunity in Muhammad's Mosque, there is favoritism. There is nepotism practiced in the organization and there is favoritism. Only a few people ever benefit from being in the organization. They also say we want justice, but they don't give justice to the members. Anyone who would dare plead not guilty to a charge, he is charged with being beat up and run out of town as was JAMES 5X, 6X in Boston, who not only was he put out of the organization but beat up and run out of town because he said he wasn't guilty of the charges.

KUP:

You said in this article, AUBREY, that you lost a lot of money as a result of your membership. What did you mean by that, that you were practically

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KUP:

destitute after you left the organization?

AUBREY:

Well, in the Muslims, the Black Muslim organization, they have what they call charity. And this is a charity slip for Muhammad's Mosque Number 27, Los Angeles, California, which incidentally my cousin, the late WALLACE STOKES, was a secretary of, and each temple across the country has these donation slips and each member is expected to donate. In Boston it was \$10.00 a week. Each and every week. It's not a donation because if you don't donate it, they'll bring you up in front of the temple, in front of all the people, embarrass you, ask you why you couldn't do better and they also have enforcers to make sure that you donate this money.

KUP:

They have what?

AUBREY:

Enforcers.

KUP:

Enforcers?

AUBREY:

to make sure. They have a strong-arm group within the Nation of Islam, within the FOI, which would make sure that these men who fall behind in their payments come up to par and donate this money which they say is charity but charity is something that is supposed to be given freely.

JOHN:

I'd like to say something about this.

AUBREY:

But donations in the Nation of Islam are not given freely. It is something that is coerced.

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JOHN:

Well, anyone that belong to any religion is required to give.

AUBREY:

That's right.

JOHN:

And this is in Islam. In fact, one of the principles - you can't be a Muslim unless you give.

AUBREY:

Right again.

JOHN:

And what we have, we have duties and we have obligations. We have certain obligations which we must meet and those who follow the program they do it. And those who don't follow - we don't require it, Mr. KUP, because they're not a Muslim. So we don't expect it of you, but those who say they're with us -

KUP:

I - may join after today's session.

JOHN:

Well, that's your, if you can follow the principle you may be a Muslim. We don't object to it.

AUBREY:

But you won't be able to get him in ELIJAH MUHAMMAD's temple as a Muslim.

JOHN:

Please now, the ground rules have been established. But anyone who belongs to any religion - Judaism or Catholicism or Protestantism or Unitarianism, they have offerings, I think, this is their purpose and in Islam we do it. In as broad a sense we give.

KUP:

You missed the point, JOHN, that there is physical violence if you don't make your contribution.

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JOHN:

No. This is not true. Because there is no compulsion and anyone, any group, certainly they are required to give. But no one is compelled to give, because our people receive benefits, in fact, for what Mr. MUHAMMAD has to offer to our people if he asked us to stand on our heads and turn our pockets inside out, he would not offer, he would not be asking too much. Because he is offering everything to us. He is offering, too, the reality of God and in return we have nothing to give back. And so anyone that would object to this, we don't want them with us. We ask them to leave.

KUP:

Let Dr. LINCOLN get in -

AUBREY:

Before Dr. LINCOLN gets in, I'd just like to make a comment on his book, Dr. LINCOLN's book. He wrote a book some years ago about the Black Muslim organization and this is another one of the restrictions in the Nation of Islam. The Nation's rank and file members were forbidden to read that book and forbidden to purchase it.

JOHN:

I beg your pardon. Because the rank and file - anyone may buy the book. The book's on the newsstand. They're not forbidden to -

AUBREY:

If they are caught buying or reading it -

JOHN:

In fact, this Dr. LINCOLN will testify to himself.

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KUP: Dr. LINCOLN wanted to get a word
in -

JOHN: I just wanted to say this -

KUP: You already made the point.

JOHN: We have the book. Many of the
Muslims have it. Let any
Mosque have it. They read the
book but they were not restricted
from buying the book. Someone
asked us to sell the book and
we said no. We're not going to
sell it. But we have our own news
media that we want to sell,
"Muhammad Speaks".

KUP: Dr. LINCOLN.

LINCOLN: I'd like to raise this question.
You said a few minutes ago that
if you belong to Islam you are
expected to honor the obligations
of Islam, in this case, was to give.
If you don't give, are there any
restrictions that keep you in the
temple as a member if you desire
to leave?

JOHN: Many different problems. We have women,
widows and things that we help out
ourselves. And in Islam in order
to be a Muslim, every Muslim gives.
This is one of the principles. One
of the five principles. Charity in
as broad a sense. This is one
of the outstanding things about
Islam is what the people give and this
is one of the reasons why Mr. MUHAMMAD's

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JOHN:

teachings in America is so outstanding is that what he does is done on the strength of his own followers, isn't tax supported, isn't done by any foundation or anything else but on the strength of the people who have faith in him and God.

KUP:

You say it is not tax supported? You mean you don't take religious tax deductions to which you're entitled?

JOHN:

No. I'd say that we're not, we don't get any tax. Like we have a school operating, operating now. Our children are not even permitted to ride the CTA bus at a reduced school rate even though we are supporting a school here. These same little -

KUP:

But you do take your tax deduction that you are entitled to for religion?

JOHN:

These same people, these same people that are, that you call uneducated are not permitted, our children are not permitted to ride the CTA bus on a school reduction pass. And the same thing about the tax deduction. The United States Government makes effort to restrict our members from taking tax deductions for the charity they give for support of their religion, while a person can be supporting some magic and the government will give them all types of support and the contributions they make to this

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JOHN:

magic as their God. And we who found the real God, the only God, Allah, are investigated and brought before courts of the government because of this.

KUP:

GORDON?

GORDON:

Just a point. Dr. LINCOLN, do you regard this last torrent of words as an answer to the question that you raised?

LINCOLN:

No. This wasn't the question that I asked. My question -

GORDON:

I didn't think it was either.

JOHN:

Well, I, excuse me. I don't mean to get off place there but when he said -

KUP:

Make it brief there, gentlemen; we're running out of time.

JOHN:

We'll make it brief. If someone can't give - that is up to them. As long as they have the desire, no one is forced to give and Mr. MUHAMMAD tells us this and teaches us this. A person is required to give if they are financially or physically able. But if they don't, they are still required to have the desire to give, and this is sufficient. But, if they don't have the desire and not counting the ability, we ask them to leave.

KUP:

GORDON?

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GORDON:

I still want to know. Is that an answer to the question you asked him?

LINCOLN:

Well, that's the point. He said that they require them to leave if they're not willing to carry out the requirements of the religion. That answers my question. My question really was, is, does a member have the liberty to leave if he wants to?

JOHN:

Certainly. Any time. I mean, any time anyone is dissatisfied with the teachings of Mr. MUHAMMAD, they are permitted to go. In fact, we ask them to go.

AUBREY:

Well, these are the results.

JOHN:

Anyone who disagrees -

AUBREY:

A person is beat up -

KUP:

All right, JOHN. You answered. Go ahead, AUBREY

AUBREY:

11 Muslims convicted of assaulting a former member. 4 Muslims accused of assault. 4 Muslims face court in beating up five ex-members. This is the result of having left. It would be all right if you could leave the organization and they would not leave you alone.

JOHN:

No. This is not true.

AUBREY:

But it is not true. You're certainly right. It is not true that you can leave the organization and the organization leave you alone. You are depicted as the enemy.

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AUBREY:

If the white people think hate is taught against them, they should listen in on a Muslim meeting and listen to a person who has left the organization be kept getting talked about as the hypocrite, the worst enemy that ever came on the face of the earth. Now more time is spent teaching against ex-members than is spent teaching about your so-called enemy and before you mention about helping widows. This is another contradiction of the Muslim program. And this is something I know very, I'm very familiar with because this is something I was very upset about in the Nation of Islam. My cousin, WALLACE, the late WALLACE STOKES, was killed in California, from -

JOHN:

by a white man. Mention that, too.

AUBREY:

He was sent down -

JOHN:

for practicing religion there.

AUBREY:

He was sent downstairs to his death by a Black Muslim minister. Right. Now the Black Muslims say they're supported, they're looking out for one another. But yet when WALLACE STOKES was killed, no support was given to the support of his child. His child had to live in the home of my aunt, who is a Christian, for one year. Not a Muslim from Boston came to visit that child. Not a Muslim from Boston came to

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AUBREY:

donate any money to that child's upkeep. My Christian aunt, who had been condemned by the Black Muslims, had to support that child.

JOHN:

This was done, because her, the child's mother, had offered to do that because she is going to school and had a job and she got remarried and she wanted her child to live with -. So I, why don't you tell the truth? I mean -

AUBREY:

The child's mother was still a Muslim -

JOHN:

You are reckless -

KUP:

One at a time.

AUBREY:

The child's mother was still a Muslim and is still a Muslim today and that doesn't stop you from supporting that child in any way.

JOHN:

Like any child. Any one knows the laws in the country. Evidently you're unacquainted with the law.

KUP:

We have to interrupt.

JOHN:

The child's mother is responsible -

AUBREY:

If she desired that the child live -

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KUP:

AUBREY, JOHN, we have to interrupt for a message and in so doing we say good night to these friends and in so doing hope that we have presented both sides of the story as equally as we possibly could under a very torrent flow of words. We'll be back with some new guests right after this message.

GORDON D. HALL
222 MARLBOROUGH STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116

September 2, 1965

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Mr. Arthur Sullivan
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
470 Atlantic Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts

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Dear Arthur:

I should have written this letter some time ago but my schedule has been simply crowded beyond belief. I have been meaning to alert you concerning a [redacted] of [redacted], Massachusetts, who has been of very real assistance to me for many months now.

[redacted] lives at [redacted], Massachusetts. He lives with his parents and a teenage sister. I have met the entire family as a result of [redacted]'s volunteer activities for me. I find all of them extremely likeable and deeply concerned about the nature of extremist activities in the U.S.

I first met [redacted] at a summer encampment sponsored by the National Conference Of Christian and Jews, the New England Regional Office. I was a speaker at the Conference encampment. My subject of course was the extremes of the far Left and the radical Right. This was a couple of years ago.

Following an interesting correspondence with [redacted], I suggested that he begin to probe the activities of certain groups in the Massachusetts area. This he did and with considerable skill and imagination. I found his reports to be accurate and useful.

A few weeks ago I visited with the [redacted] family in [redacted]. [redacted]'s father seemed concerned that at some future time his son's activities might be misunderstood, i.e., some one may accuse him of having been a sympathizer of the groups he was investigating. This prompted me to make a mental note to fire this letter off to you upon return to Boston. As you know, I have done this with others in the past, and I'm now happy to write a similar letter in the case of young [redacted].

It is my understanding that [redacted] is about to enter the Armed Services. I believe he is enlisting, although I'm not sure of this. I am sure that the time has come for him to enter the armed forces.

Whether or not [redacted] will pick up the loose ends upon completion of his service duties I don't know, but I feel better knowing that I have made clear his motivation for checking out some of the extremist organizations. He did so at my request and I feel it is my responsibility to so inform you.

Cordially as always,

Gordon D. Hall
Gordon D. Hall

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March 9, 1966

F.B.I.
470 Atlantic Ave.
Boston, Mass.

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Dear Mr. []:

Last evening I went to a lecture in Johnston, R.I. at the High School, and heard a Mr. Gordon D. Hall give a talk on Extremeism. During his talk he kept mentioning how he works hand in hand with the F.B.I.

He mentioned how [] worked with him in espionage work in Cuba, with the approval of the F.B.I.. He said that the director of the F.B.I. in Boston, a Mr. [] was good friend of his, and worked with him and [] in their undercover work against Castro.

[] for WPRO-TV, Providence, R.I. introduced Mr. Hall to the audience and said that when ever the F.B.I. needed certain information on subversive groups, they would call on Gordon D. Hall. He was serious in this remark.

Having read a little on the back-ground of Mr. Hall, from a Frank Capell, & Warren Apoleton, Birmingham Independent News, Alabama, and other sources I was wondering if there is any truth in his remarks in reference to the F.B.I.? Does he know you as a personal friend?

Gordon D. Hall was in Rhode Island for 2 days, March 7 & 8, giving lectures to the student body of Cumberland High School, Lincoln High School, St. Edward's High School, Barrington High School, and Johnston High School and winding up his series of lectures with one open to the public on March 8th, in the evening at Johnston High School.

I would appreciate it if you will answer these questions I have in mind. He certainly made some awfull discriminating remarks about the John Birch Society, in fact 4/5ths of his talk was in connection with them. I will be waiting for your answer. Thank you!

Respectfully yours,

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[] Mass.

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470 Atlantic Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02210
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Mr. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Mass.

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Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 9, 1966, addressed to Special Agent [REDACTED].

Please be advised that the FBI is strictly an investigative agency and information in our files is confidential and available for official use only. The FBI makes no evaluations or recommendations concerning the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. Our inability to furnish any comment should not be interpreted as implying that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Very truly yours,

JAMES L. HANDLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : SAC (94-629)

DATE: 3/15/66

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: GORDON D. HALL
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Re letter dated 3/9/66 from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Mass.

On 3/15/66, HALL said he gave a lecture in the
High School at Johnston, Rhode Island, on 3/8/66 as a result
of an invitation from [REDACTED] of that High School,
[REDACTED].

Prior to the lecture, [REDACTED] showed him a letter
he had received from the above-named [REDACTED] in
which [REDACTED] vehemently protested HALL's appearance and in
which he made caustic and derogatory remarks concerning
HALL. Attached to the letter were several Birch Society
clippings criticizing HALL's work.

HALL said that [REDACTED] showed him the letter since
he felt that [REDACTED] would be a "thorn in his side." HALL
wrote down [REDACTED]'s name and address and determined from sources
of his own that [REDACTED] is a member of the John Birch Society.

HALL also noted that Johnston, Rhode Island, is
a considerable distance from [REDACTED], Mass.

In connection with the allegation by [REDACTED] that
HALL had made a statement that [REDACTED] had worked
with the approval of the FBI, HALL said this was a complete
inaccuracy. What he did state publicly was that [REDACTED]
had traveled to Cuba under his auspices and that the story
concerning it had appeared in a "Saturday Evening Post" article.
HALL also had said that the Cuban trip by [REDACTED] was made
with the knowledge of the FBI and never did he state was made
with the approval of the FBI.

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He recalled that there was a question from the floor by a man seated in the front of the audience who kept attempting to bait him as to whether or not he actually did notify the FBI of the contemplated trip by [] and if he had in reality given such notice, the questioner wanted to know the name of some FBI representative with whom HALL had communicated. HALL said he replied to the questioner that he spoke with a representative of the FBI in Boston named []. (It is noted that GORDON HALL did, in fact, contact the Boston Office and speak to SA [].)

HALL said that Mr. [] had invited [] of WPRO-TV, Providence, Rhode Island, to introduce him. HALL said that while still seated in the audience, [] made a somewhat overly gracious introduction in which he mentioned that HALL had been engaged in investigation of extremist movements in the U. S. for over 20 years and had publicized his own findings on cases in which threats were made against the person of the President of the U. S. and the OSWALD assassination. [] said that HALL sometimes makes his information public before the FBI does.

When HALL took the stand after the introduction, he did not feel that he had to go into any explanation of []'s statements since HALL knows the FBI does not publicize its findings any way and he thought []'s remarks actually were of an innocent and innocuous nature. HALL said he simply decided to let []'s remarks "ride."

HALL stated that it is an "absolute lie" that he had ever said that he works hand-in-hand with the FBI.

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Enclosed to the Bureau is copy of letter received by SA [] of the Boston Division dated 3/9/66.

As the Bureau is aware, [] and Mr. HALL visited the Boston Office of the FBI prior to the time [] went to Cuba. [] was subsequently made available by HALL and became an excellent Government witness.

HALL has been cooperative in voluntarily furnishing to the Boston Division information which has come to his attention.

In view of the allegations, as set forth in Mr. []'s letter, HALL was interviewed concerning these allegations without identifying the source. HALL, himself, immediately identified the complainant as []. The basis of his identification was a letter received by Mr. [] of the Johnston, Rhode Island, High School, in which [] vehemently protested HALL's appearance. [] exhibited this letter which also had attached to it several John Birch Society clippings criticizing HALL's work. HALL stated he had already ascertained from sources of his own that [] is a member of the John Birch Society.

He pointed out that the allegation by [] that he had made a statement [] had worked with the approval of the FBI was a complete inaccuracy. HALL said he did state publicly that [] had traveled to Cuba under his auspices and that the story concerning it had appeared in a "Saturday Evening Post" article.

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He also said the Cuban trip by [] was made with the knowledge of the FBI. When challenged to advise with whom he talked at the FBI Office, Mr. HALL said he talked with a Mr. [] of the Boston Office of the FBI, which in fact was correct.

[] of WPRO-TV, Providence, Rhode Island, had been invited by [] to introduce HALL. He stated that [] gave a somewhat overly gracious introduction but he did not feel he should go into any explanation of []'s statements and thought it best to let []'s remarks "ride." HALL further stated that during the course of his subsequent talk, he clarified []'s statements by indicating to the audience that he has furnished information to the FBI and other government agencies as any good citizen should.

Mr. HALL also stated he is under constant attack by Birchites and other extremists because of his expose of their activities and they are constantly seeking to distort or take out of context any remarks which he makes in order to put him in a bad light.

Mr. HALL was cautioned in his public appearances not to leave the impression that he was employed by or otherwise an adjunct in any way of the FBI.

Mr. HALL stated he thoroughly understood and approved of the FBI's policy, appreciated that it does not publicize its findings and stated it was an absolute lie that he had ever said he worked hand-in-hand with the FBI.

The foregoing information is being made available to the Bureau as it is felt that [] may possibly communicate with it on this matter.

Also enclosed to the Bureau is copy of the acknowledgment of Mr. []'s letter forwarded to him 3/14/66.

No further action is deemed warranted in this matter.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-1)

SAC, BOSTON (62-4841) (C)

COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN THE BOSTON AREA
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Rebulet 7/7/67 and BSlet 7/17/67.

The only information concerning CP interest in the Roxbury, Mass., riot of 6/2/67, known to GORDON HALL, is what appeared in the "Boston Herald," a daily Boston newspaper, which set forth during that period that EDWARD TEIXEIRA had been at the office of Exodus and was "smiling." This information has been previously furnished to the Bureau in BSlet 7/17/67. HALL had no additional information concerning any other CP interest in the Roxbury riot.

Concerning CP influence in demonstrations against the Vietnam war, [redacted], who is associated with HALL advised of a demonstration outside the Boston War Memorial against the Vietnam war on 7/11/67 on the occasion of the 58th National Convention of the NAACP, Boston, Mass., 7/10-15/67. At this demonstration, [redacted] (Bufile 100-188721), [redacted] (Bufile 100-294239) and [redacted] (Bufile 61-10578), were observed handing out leaflets of the CP. This information was set forth in Boston airtel to the Director dated 7/13/67, captioned, "The 58th National Convention of the NAACP, Boston, Mass., 7/10-15/67, RM," with LHM attached. The demonstrators were identified as the "Greater Boston Spring Mobilization Committee."

The above information was also set forth in the report captioned, "[redacted], IS-C," dated 8/11/67 at Boston by SA CHARLES F. AHERN.

HALL stated he did not know of any instance wherein the CP was the leading factor in demonstrations against the Vietnam area.

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HALL advised he will continue to furnish information of interest to the FBI to the Boston Office.

HALL advised he was unavailable for contact as he was on an extended speaking tour.

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Rebulet dated 7/7/67.

[redacted] is an undercover agent for GORDON
HALL, who is a lecturer and researcher of extreme right groups.

[redacted] has testified on behalf of the U. S.
Government in the case involving travel of students to Cuba and
has been utilized as a source of information by the Boston
Office on occasions.

HALL has been cooperative with the Boston Office
in that he has furnished information which has been of interest
to the Boston Office.

It is to be noted [redacted] wrote his letter to
Mr. WINCHELL on the stationery of Hall's Company, the Pilgrim
Management Corp.

The "Boston Herald," a daily Boston newspaper,
on 6/4/67, carried an article captioned, "How Did It Happen
and Why," which in part contained the following concerning
the Boston riot:

"There was one man on Blue Hill
Ave., Saturday, who went unnoticed by the
people who live there. He was inside the
Exodus office talking to Negro leaders and
calling some of them by their first name.
He was EDWARD TEIXEIRA, who runs a bookstore
on Mass. Ave. and is an admitted member of the
CP. He was on Blue Hill Ave., Saturday morning
he was smiling."

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During the rioting at the Welfare Office, 515 Blue Hill Avenue, Roxbury, Mass., on 6/2/67, and subsequent days, Boston was in close contact with liaison sources who were at the scene of the rioting. However, none of these sources furnished any information to the effect that EDWARD TEIXEIRA was at the scene of the rioting.

It should be noted that TEIXEIRA resides on the fringe area of the rioting and it would not have been unlikely or unusual to be in the area to observe the rioting.

During the rioting, a leaflet was issued by the Progressive Labor Party (PLP), P. O. Box 158, Cambridge, (Mass.) asking for moral and financial support for the people of Roxbury, Mass., and contributions for bail and medical help be sent to the United Militant Headquarters, 255 Dudley St., Roxbury, Mass.

This could have been the basis for the statement that PLP had opened an office in the riot area.

In view of HALL's past cooperation, UACB he will be interviewed concerning PLP and TEIXEIRA without disclosing to him the source of the information.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Boston

DATE: 7/7/67

FROM : ✓ Director, FBI

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN THE BOSTON AREA
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There is enclosed a letter which was sent to Walter Winchell which he in turn furnished to the Bureau.

Furnish your comments to the Bureau concerning the situation mentioned in this letter along with your recommendation as to whether Gordon D. Hall should be interviewed concerning this matter. The identity of the writer of this letter and the fact that Mr. Winchell furnished it to the Bureau are to be kept confidential.

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PILGRIM MANAGEMENT CORP.

739 BOYLSTON STREET, BOSTON, MASS. 02116 - CO 7-5555

June 16, 1967

Dear Mr. Winchell:

I enjoy your column in the Boston Record-American newspaper. I noticed in this morning's column you commended a Boston newspaper for ending their story on the Boston race riot with mention that a local Communist, Edward Texiera, was at the negro headquarters. This had appeared in the Boston Herald story. These facts are true and are even more terrifying if the rest of the story could be told.

The source for the Herald writer for that piece of news about Texiera was Gordon D. Hall of Boston. Mr. Hall is a full time lecturer and investigator of right wing and left wing groups. The Saturday Evening Post had a profile on him a few years ago and Mr. Hall has been responsible for many news stories since then. He was responsible for the story on the Black Muslims in the Post that was written by a defector from that group that first came to Hall. In addition, the Blue Book of the John Birch Society devoted several pages to attacking Hall because of his effectiveness in fighting them. Most recently Hall did a number of stories in Boston newspapers about influence of Communists in some of the Vietnam demonstrations.

To get back to the race riots, Gordon Hall has hard information (documents, leaflets and photos) showing how Communists have moved into the Boston area. The Progressive Labor Party has even opened an office in the riot area. In addition several professional organizers have also been flown in. All of this spells real trouble. The problem now though is that the Boston papers do not want to run any stories on this and they want to hush it up. It might be helpful if you telephoned Gordon Hall at 617-CO 7 4584--maybe you can use some of the material.

I am a friend of Mr. Hall's and he does not know of this letter.

Very truly yours

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OCT 6, 1967

Dear Mr Hoover:

I would like
to know if there is any
public information on a person
called Gordon Hall who
recently gave a talk at
the University of Maine. One
of my customers listened to
him recently and from
what he says I am under
the impression that he is in
disagreement with our
policy in Laos and Vietnam. The
reason I'm saying this is
because I'm led to believe
he was sent to give

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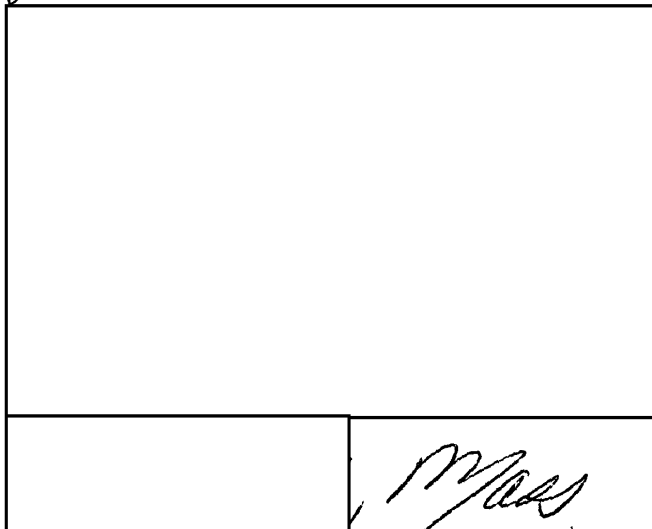
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Talks by our Government
 to unions at these colleges
 and I'm wondering if may-
 be he is injecting ideas
 of his own into these talks.
 You see every year the
 unions send delegates to
 these colleges for talks
 on economics etc. Two years
 ago at the Univ. of N.H. the
 Prof. that gave talks to these
 Union guys was in a Anti
 Viet. demonstration in New Hampshire
 so I'd like to know what
 kind of books are being
 sent out to represent the Gov.
 I wonder too he is at the

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University of Michigan now
with a Prof. from the
University of Maine Thank
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October 12, 1967

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[Redacted], Massachusetts 01525

Dear [Redacted]:

Your letter of October 6th has been received.

With respect to your inquiry, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with regulations of the Department of Justice. I am sure you will understand the reason for this policy. Since you indicated you believe Gordon Hall is representing our Government in his speeches, I want to assure you that he does not represent the FBI in any way.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (62-0)

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On 6/15/69, [REDACTED]
Norwood, Mass., telephonically contacted the Boston Office
and advised as follows:

He is [REDACTED]
for the American Independent Party, which he described as the
political party supporting the candidacy of former Governor
GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama for the office of the President of
the United States.

He stated that he has received four threatening phone
calls in which the caller, belived to be the same individual,
advises him to change his political party or suffer the
consequences. [REDACTED] stated that the individual did not
threaten him with bodily harm. He stated that he assumed that
the calls were made from a location point within the State of
Massachusetts. He added that he suspected that his telephone
was being tapped.

[REDACTED] also stated that GORDON HALL, a free lance
writer, must have something to do with the above calls and that
an individual named [REDACTED], who worked for HALL, also
might have something to do with them.

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[redacted] also stated that on 6/15/69, a yellow automobile, make and license number unknown, had attempted to run his car off the road in the vicinity of Norwood, Mass. [redacted] stated that he had contacted the Norwood Police concerning this incident and had been advised by an unidentified police officer that the local police did not have jurisdiction in such matters. [redacted] stated he wished to go on record with the FBI that he was being intimidated because of the fact that he was a WALLACE supporter.

Approximately ten minutes after the above call from [redacted] was terminated, he again telephoned the Boston Office and stated he had just received another anonymous telephone call in which the caller advised him to stay away from the FBI as the FBI could not help him.

At 12:20 AM, 6/16/69, Trooper [redacted], South Yarmouth Barracks, Massachusetts State Police, telephonically advised the Hyannis Resident Agent of the Boston Office that [redacted] had notified the South Yarmouth Barracks that his car had been shot at. Trooper [redacted] stated that examination of [redacted]'s car disclosed three small holes which could have been made by a small caliber weapon. One hole was in the right front door, another in the right front fender and a third in the lower right hand corner of the windshield. Trooper [redacted] stated that [redacted] did not appear to be upset when he exhibited the bullet punctured automobile to the MSP and, in fact, seemed unusually calm for an individual who had experienced being shot at.

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Accordingly, the MSP interviewed [] to determine whether he had actually caused the bullet holes in his car but they were unable to shake his story. A discreet search of []'s car was made by members of the MSP but no weapon could be located.

[] has not recontacted the Boston Office and the MSP is giving no publicity to the incident in which []'s car sustained damage from what appeared to be small caliber bullets.

In view of the fact that the above circumstances do not indicate any violation of laws within the Bureau's jurisdiction, Boston is taking no further action in this matter.

The above is being set out for the information of the Bureau in the event [] should make further inquiry of the Bureau or should seek publicity concerning his complaint.

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